THE PEOPLES ADVOCATE.

"THE LOVE OF COUNTRY GUIDES."

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Mr. and Mrs. Jarret Haynes, pioneer settlers of Paducah, Ky., bear the proud distinction of having planted the walnut from which grew the tree which has lately been sawn down into boards from which coffins have been made for the aged couple. This is a fine exhibition of foresight.

The baronets of England are about to hold a meeting in London to protect their rights and seek redress for their grievances, in view of the recent decision according children, during the legal life of peers, the title of honorable and giving them precedent after the younger children of barons and ahead of baronets.

The extraordinary progress which American electric science has achieved in recent years is substantially attested by the fact that street railway systems during the past decade have been constructed by American electric engineers in London, Dublin, Bristol, Coventry, Paris, Berlin, Hamburg, Brussels, Aix-la-Chapelle, Dresden, Vienna and Budapest.

The Times of India declares that tea-drinking is the curse of Thibet. "The people," it says, "have such an insatiable craving for the beverage that they will sell their houses, their flocks, their very children, to procure it. If ever an apostle appears in Thibet to regenerate the Nation, he will have to preach a crusade in favor of whisky-drinking in order to wean the inhabitants from the national vice."

The persistency with which men declare that they have seen a sea serpent is equaled only by the persistency with which they are disbelieved by men who have never seen one, observes the New York Times. Now the question is this, how are we ever going to know whether there is a sea serpent or not? The people who have never seen one all declare that there is no such thing, and those who say they have seen one are promptly called unmitigated fabricators. And there the case seems likely to rest through all time.

Says the San Francisco Call: In Mexico the law's delays are less vexatious than in the United States. Indeed, one hears nothing at all about delay in the administration of Mexican justice. A short time ago a paymaster went down into Sonora with between $6000 and $7000. He stopped over night at a ranch, where he was robbed and murdered. The robbers were caught by the local police, but the magistrate discharged them. Then the Government took a hand in the affair. The robbers were caught again and shot immediately. The magistrate who had acquitted them was also shot. The watchman at whose house the robbery occurred was shot. Some distant accessories after the fact were shot. In all sixteen men were shot.

The frightful losses of the Spanish troops in Cuba are for the first time authoritatively revealed in the report of General Blanco to the home Government. Of 192,000 soldiers of the regular army sent to General Weyler, only 89,000 now remain fit for duty. In the hospitals are to be found 40,000, thus leaving 63,000 who have perished of wounds or disease. When we remember that this appalling loss of life has been suffered by an army which has never fought a pitched battle worthy of the name, in a struggle with an enemy who probably never mustered more than 20,000 rifles in any one place, we get an idea of the stupendous task which confronted Spain in the suppression of the Cuban rebellion. That it is now a hopeless task, General Blanco's revelations will go far towards making the world believe.

Thomas A. Edison announces that his new system of recovering by electrical means the iron contained in low-grade ore is now a practical success. His works near Dover, N. J., are now producing daily 1000 to 1500 tons of almost chemically pure iron. The ore contains only about twenty-five per cent. of iron and it would not pay for handling by the ordinary methods. His process, in brief, consists of blasting the ore from the mountain sides, and then, by means of steam shovels and miniature railway cars, conveying it to massive crushers, where it is broken up and passed on to other mills, to be pulverized. The powder is then allowed to pass in close proximity to electro-magnets, which deflect the iron to one side, and non-metallic matter falls to the other side by gravity. From the time the ore is blasted till it is resolved into this metallic form and compressed into briquettes for shipment, the process is entirely automatic.

GREAT SUFFERING IN CUBA.

A Conspiracy Against the Spanish Unearthed in Panar Del Rio.

CHEERING FOR THE UNITED STATES.

A Letter From an Insurgent Chief Says 150,000 Insurgents and Reconcentrados Have Died in Western Cuba and Santa Clara Provinces.

Havana, via Key West.—Details have been received from Spanish sources of a conspiracy against Spanish rule, said to have been discovered in the province of Pinar Del Rio. It is now stated that 1,500 men employed in the fields of Clay, Brock & Co., tobacco growers, and who had been disarmed, conspired to join the insurgents. Their leaders were imprisoned in Moro Castle.

Christmas night there were riots similar to those which occurred at Havana, Matanzas and other towns. The demonstrations were intended as a protest against autonomy.

At Matanzas the crowds cheered for the United States, President McKinley and annexation.

The majority of conservative mayors have been removed from the towns in the interior. They represent 75 per cent of the taxpayers.

A letter from an important insurgent chief says about 150,000 insurgents and reconcentrados have died in Western Cuba up to Santa Clara. He also expresses regret at the suffering endured by the insurgents in the field.

Dr. Delfin calls attention, in Dietro de la Marina, to the necessity of sending about fifty physicians into the interior of the island, provided with medicine chests and vaccine. This step, he says, is to save from death innumerable human beings who are dying of hunger and neglect.

Dr. Delfin adds that over 500,000 persons, mostly women and children, have died of famine in the fields. The reconcentrados are suffering from dysentery, smallpox, cholera, etc., which threaten extermination. Therefore, Dr. Delfin says, it is necessary to send medicines with food and physicians.

It is reported that an important engagement occurred last Monday in the Mulata mountains, province of Pinar del Rio, and that large numbers were killed on both sides. One prominent insurgent was captured and brought to Havana, where he was imprisoned in the communicado.

LOWERING THE WAGE SCHEDULE.

The Reduction Will Be General Throughout the East.

The action of the cotton manufacturers in New Bedford and Rhode Island in deciding to join the movement to lower the wage schedule in January, which was inaugurated by the big corporations of Fall River, makes the reduction practically a general one throughout the New England states. Cotton mills in Fall River, Lowe l, Manchester, Salem, Suncock, N. H., and a number of smaller places have already posted notices of a reduction amounting to from 10 to 11 1-9 per cent. In New Bedford it is understood the cut down applies to the cloth mills only. As far as known the reduction in all the mill centers applies to treasurers, superintendents, overseers and clerks, as well as to the spinners and other operatives.

WILL LOOK AT THE CANAL.

Prominent Contractors on Their Way to Nicaragua.

Fourteen of the most prominent contractors in the United States will go to Nicaragua to inspect the survey of the proposed canal. If the work is deemed practical, these men will form a company and bid for the job. The party is under the direction of E. L. Cooley, chief engineer of the Chicago drainage canal. Most of the contractors were associated with Mr. Cooley in that immense undertaking. From the meager information in their possession Engineer Cooley estimates the maximum cost of the Nicaragua canal at $25,000,000. The army engineers say this is ridiculously small and predict an excess of $80,000,000. Others have variously estimated the cost of the project from $60,000,000 to $150,000,000.

REVOLUTION IN SALVADOR.

Gunboat Marietta Will Be Sent There as Soon as Possible.

Salvador is threatened with another revolution. To protect American interests the navy department, upon the request of the state department, has telepraphed orders to the gunboat Marietta, which is at Mare Island, directing her to proceed as soon as possible to La Libertad and remain until further orders. The Marietta is being fitted for service in Chinese waters.

The information upon which the state department acts comes from Consul Jenkins at San Salvador, who cabled: "The condition of affairs in Salvador is alarming; send warship."

NEW POSTAGE STAMPS.

The Government Will Advertise for About 12,000,000,000.

The postoffice department has prepared advertisements which wi l soon be issued inviting proposals for furnishing adhesive postage stamps for the government for the four years beginning July 1 next. The issues advertised for include the ordinary stamps, news and periodical stamps, postage due stamps and those for special delivery. The number required per year approximate 3,000,000,000.

NEWS ITEMS OF THE WEEK

Carefully Collated in Brief and Pointed Paragraphs.

The Comptroller of the Currency has authorized the Corn Exchange National Bank of Chicago, Ill., capital $1,000,000, to begin business.

Unknown persons dynamited the court house of Wilkes county, N. C., damaging the foundation and superstructure and wrecking every window.

Governor Charles A. Culberson, of Texas, has announced himself a candidate for the United States senate to succeed Roger Q. Mills, whose term will expire in 1899.

The American consul at Barcelona, Spain, is unable to keep the stars and stripes flying from Uncle Sam's vessels, owing to the bitter feeling of the Spaniards against the United States.

Pedro Escureo, who was minister of justice during the empire of Maximilian, and who was the author of the civil code and one of the most eminent of Mexico's jurists, died Friday at the age of 80.

Southern Express Agent P. H. Mabry, at Brunswick, Ga., has absconded with $14,000 of the company's funds, which a few days before had been shipped by Savannah bankers to Brunswick.

The action of the operatives conference committee of the Fall River, Mass., cotton mill employees indicates that no strike will be declared, a poll of the members showing 12 to 6 against it.

Jim Redd and Alex Johnson, the condemned murderers of W. F. Skipper, did not hang at Monticello, Ark., Friday as scheduled. The supreme court has issued a stay of execution pending an appeal.

Twelve business houses were destroyed by fire at Lebanon, Tenn., the past week. All the contents of the buildings, which were retail stores, were totally destroyed. The loss so far is estimated at $60,000.

Thomas B. Gresham, formerly of Macon, Ga., now of Baltimore, offers to donate $10,000 to build an annex to the Macon city hospital as a memorial to his father, the late Judge John G. Gresham, of Macon, who was one of Georgia's wealthiest and best known men.

The secretary of the treasury, with the approval of the president, has issued regulations under the act of congress, prohibiting the taking of seal skins by American citizens except on the Pribyloff islands and prohibiting the importation into this country of pelagic sealskins.

It is officially announced at Calcutta, India, that the recent famine cost the treasury 800,000 pounds, while loans to agriculturists and suspensions of taxes, mainly repayable, absorbed another 4,000,000 pounds, irrespective of charitable contributions, approaching 1,750,000 pounds.

One of the largest ore deals ever consummated in this or any other country has just been closed by James W. Miller, of Pittsburg, Pa., at London, England, with the Cardiff Iron Founders Company, limited. It is an order for 4,000,000 tons of 64 per cent Mesaba iron ore, representing more than $20,000,000.

CABINET NAMED BY BLANCO

Under the Regime of Autonomy for the Cubans.

It is asserted that the following have been accepted by Governor-General Blanco as members of the first Cuban colonial cabinet under the regime of autonomy:

President of the cabinet—Senor Jose Maria Galvez.

Minister of finance—Senor Rafael Montero, marquis of Montero.

Minister of the interior—Senor Antonio Govin.

Minister of education—Senor Francisco Zayas.

Minister of commerce—Senor Artuzo Amblard.

Minister of post and telegraphs—Senor Laurenno Rodriguez.

It is understood they will take the oath at the palace on Saturday next after attending the celebration of mass.

The under secretaries will then be nominated, together with the chief subordinates of the permanent staff.

General Fitzhugh Lee has asked the authorities at Washington for medicines, clothing and other assistance for the reconcentrados on the conditions agreed upon between Madrid and Washington.

Increase in Receipts.

The forthcoming weekly statement of the government receipts and expenditures will show a material increase in the receipts from both customs and internal revenues. The income from customs this month will probably exceed November by $3,000,000. The returns from internal revenue sources will probably reach an excess of $1,000,000 over November.

Y. M. C. A. Secretary.

At Selma the board of directors of the Young Men's Christian association elected T. S. McGill, of Louisville, Ky., general secretary. He is now assistant secretary of the Louisville association.

Island Seized by the French.

The admiral of the French fleet in Chinese waters has located the French flag on Hai Nan island. The Chinese offered no opposition. Hai Nan island is off the coast south of China and separates the Gulf of Tonquin from the China sea. It has an estimated area of 12,000 square miles and a population of a million Chinese, exclusive of the wild tribes in the interior.

It is stated that the Marquis of Hertford will succeed the Earl of Aberdeen as governor-general of Canada.

WEEKLY REVIEW OF TRADE.

Bradstreet's Report Sums Up the Situation for the Closing Year.

RAILROADS SHARE IN REVIVED PROSPERITY

A Heavy Falling Off in Number of Failures From Preceding Year—Liabilities Smaller Than for Several Years Past.

Bradstreet's trade review says: Holiday and the stocktaking close a year, while not fully realizing the most sanguine expectations, certainly contained much that was gratifying, and, more than that, is full of promise for the year 1898. Following a series of years of alternate panic, stagnation and slow and even painful revival, 1897 presented a large volume of business done as a whole at prices which, while, not altogether satisfactory, resulted in a total of trade larger than any previous year since 1892. Tariff changes restricted demand but encouraged speculation and heavy imports in the first part of 1897, while the enlarged foreign demand for American breadstuffs and for some varieties of manufactured articles bettered the condition of the American farmer, and therefore business men quite materially in the latter part of the year. Price conditions have not favored the southern producer of cotton nor the northern manufacturer of cotton goods.

Railroad interests share in the revival of prosperity, with gross and net earnings larger than any year since 1893, and the year 1898 opens with the business community, with the few exceptions noted, in a very cheerful frame of mind.

A heavy falling off in number and liabilities of individuals, firms or corporations failing was shown in 1897 from 1896 and the four preceding years. A partial return to more or less normal conditions is further indicated by a drop in the percentage of assets to liabilities and by a reduction in the commercial death rate, as compared with every year since and including 1893. The total number of failures reported to Bradstreet's for the year just closed was 13,099, a decrease of 2,000 failures and over 13 per cent from 1896. Liabilities of those failing constituted one of the smallest totals of recent years, amounting to only $156,166,000, a decrease of 37 per cent from 1896. The least favorable showing is made by the eastern states, which report increases in number and liabilities over 1896. In spite of depression in cotton prices, southern failures and liabilities are smaller than a year ago, while the greatest falling off is in the west and northwest. Those reliable indices of the situation—bank clearings—point to the year 1897 as witnessing the heaviest business, both speculative and commercial, done since the year 1892, just preceding the panic. The total clearings at fifty-eight cities for the year aggregated at least $56,926,000,000, a sum larger by 12 per cent than the total of 1896, a year of silver agitation and an exciting presidential election; 8 per cent larger than in 1895, the disappointing year, when a boom in iron and kindred products led to false hopes of business improvement, 25 per cent over the year 1894, when the depth of depression following the panic may be said to have been reached; 5 per cent over 1893, the year of widespread disaster in financial and commercial circles, and only 7 per cent smaller than the total of 1892, when the boom following the large foreign demand for American breadstuffs reached its height.

Practically the entire gain in clearings in 1897 was concentrated in the last six months, and it is a significant fact that the heaviest monthly total reported for five years past was reported in the month of December. Gains were heaviest in the northwest, the Middle and New England states and smallest in the south and southwest, at the latter of which the trade improvements was rather late in arriving.

The total exports of wheat (flour included as wheat) from both coasts of the United States and Canada, amount to 5,495,000 bushels, or double those in this week a year ago, and 700,000 bushels larger than last week. Corn exports are slightly smaller, aggregating 4,086,000 bushels against 4,879,000 bushels last week and 2,742,000 bushels last year.

WORKING FOR OFFICE.

Kentucky Spoilsmen Organize to Fight Civil Service.

An effort is being made at Lexington, Ky., to organize a state lodge of the secret society called "Americans," which has for its object the destruction of civil service.

The promoter is a prominent New York man who held a high place in the Harrison administration at Washington.

The Lexington republican who told of this secret movement against civil service is thoroughly reliable.

It is a national order and there will be county, congressional, district and state organizations all amenable to the national organization.

High Handed Proceedings.

The steamer Albion arrived at San Diego, Cal., from a cruise down the coast and her passengers tell of a rather high handed proceeding at Clipperton island on the part of the Mexican gunboat El Democrata, being no less than the hauling down of the stars and stripes by an armed force sent for that purpose, and in spite of the protests of the men there employed and the raising of the Mexican flag.

COST OF SILVER BULLION.

Edward Atkinson declares that the silver issue is dead, and then straightway sends out a twenty-page pamphlet to forty newspapers in forty states for the purpose of helping to kill it again. He imagines that he has dealt it a terrific blow in demonstrating (to his own satisfaction) that two of the best silver mines in the world have been able to produce silver at a cost of from 25 to 45 cents an ounce. He does not attempt to give the cost of production by the multitude of other and less profitable mines in the world. In fact, he says: "There is no method of determining what are the conditions in other mines in this country;" and again: "It is impossible for a private person to get the data necessary to the solution of this problem, either in regard to the great mines of Mexico, South America or any other silver-producing country, except New South Wales."

He acknowledges that he knows nothing of the thousands of sources of silver production, except of two mines, one in the United States, and one in New South Wales. His evident intention is to start the cry of low cost of producing silver bullion. He is more than willing that this sophistry should be used as a bludgeon in the hands of the gold standard men. Not a word does he say about the silver mines that are closed because the price of silver is below the cost of production; not a word about the mines that bankrupted themselves producing silver at a great loss in hopes that the price would improve.

His estimate is worth about as much as would be an estimate on the average cost of raising wheat based on the largest acre yield in a state. The average yield of corn per acre last year was 28.2 bushels. Yet a man in Illinois this last season raised 166 bushels on an acre. Figured on the latter yield, the cost per bushel of raising corn would have been very small, and every farmer could have made a profit on 10-cent corn. But the absurdity of both estimates is apparent.

But, after all, the cost of producing a thing has no bearing whatever on its market value. This is regulated entirely by the quantity obtainable and by its use. We call this principle "the law of supply and demand." It really makes no difference whether silver costs 25 cents an ounce or nothing. Its value will depend on its quantity and use.

Mr. Atkinson seems to be figuring out that silver is cheaper than twenty-five years ago because it can be produced at less cost. Apply the same rule to gold; gold can be produced at a less cost than it could be twenty-five years ago, and, according to the reasoning of Mr. Atkinson, should be worth less in the products of the world. But gold is more valuable than ever.

That cost of production does not regulate price is shown by many articles of commerce. Ambergris is a very valuable substance, single lumps of it being sold for fortunes. Yet it is largely a find. It is valuable as it is scarce. If it were priced according to its cost, it would sell for about nothing. The writings of some men have a high market value simply because there is a demand for them that exhausts the supply. And that is all there is to the silver question. Allow it its legitimate use, and the demand will exhaust the supply. Pass a law prohibiting any certain newspaper from using the mails, and see whether you cannot legislate value out of anything. You have not lessened the cost of producing the newspaper, but you have interfered with its use and lessened the value of it as a property.

This latest attack on silver by Mr. Atkinson is puerile. It is all based on the assumed lessened cost of producing silver. His argument applies equally as well to gold as to silver.

If the low price of silver were due to the low cost of production, then the value of gold would have fallen in the same proportion, due to low cost of producing gold, and both metals would still be near their old par of 16 to 1. That silver has fallen in value and gold risen proves the fallacy of Mr. Atkinson's argument.—H. F. Thurston.

The Nineteenth Century.

This is the nineteenth century. We live in America, "the land of the free and the home of the brave," so-called. We are a christian people, yet, at our very door—on the American side of the great Atlantic—scenes that pale those committed during the dark ages and the inquisition are being enacted. For what purpose? That the patriots of Cuba may be forever enslaved, governed against their will, outraged and robbed. Blood flows in their veins such as warmed hearts of Washington and his gallant followers. Why shoul dthe United States longer witness this scene? Is there no God? Has human sympathy given away to grasping greed? Did the love of freedom, loyalty and justice pass away with the immortal Lincoln?—Oregon City Herald.

Let Us Not Delay Too Long.

When the cunning and brutal minority in this country, led by such men as Pierpont Morgan, shall have gained absolute disposal of the means of existence indispensable to the ignorant and superstitious majority, what will happen? And how will the majority use the franchise then? An unfettered and enlightened franchise is unimaginable among ignorant slaves—Appeal to Reason.

IT IS A BRAZEN PLAN.

GAGE'S SCHEME IS CLOSE TO TREASON.

"Commit the Country More Thoroughly to the Gold Standard," He Says—Gold and Silver Are Redemption Moneys Says the Constitution.

Secretary Gage has introduced his bill for the revision of the currency system of the United States. The alleged purposes of the bill are five in number, and may be briefly indicated as follows:

1. To commit the government more thoroughly to the maintenance of the gold standard.

2. To strengthen the treasury in relation to its demand liabilities.

3. So to accomplish this result as not to contract national circulation.

4. Initial step toward a system of bank note issues without the deposit of public bonds as security therefor.

5. To put a stop to the "endless chain" system of redemption and reissue of greenbacks.

Section 2 refers to the issuing of gold bonds, which the secretary explains was intended merely to take up outstanding "coin" bonds at a lower rate of interest. Of course, the real purpose is to establish the precedent that "coin" means gold, and if it doesn't mean gold, then gold bonds shall be issued to take the place of "coin" bonds.

Secretary Gage said he had excluded from his refunding plan the bonds issued in 1895, although in his recommendation to congress these bonds were erroneously included. He said he preferred to let these bonds alone, as a question had been raised at the time of their issue as to their payment in gold, and he did not wish to enter upon that question. The bill would exclude all the bonds issued under the Cleveland administration.

Now, the fact is that the Cleveland bonds are absolutely "coin" bonds, and were taken as such by the purchasers. Had they been gold bonds the price paid for them would have been many millions of dollars in advance of what was given, and to make them gold bonds now would be to rob the people of the United States for the sake of making a present to the bondholders. The scheme is dishonest, and a gigantis steal on its face.

There are too many honest men in the rank and file of the Republican party for this Gage plan to succeed. Their voice of protest will be heard all over the land. Thus we will see a large section of the party against its leaders. The final degeneration of the Republican party has set in. Gage has driven the entering wedge. The best half must come to the opposition. Therefore let us hold fast to the things we have that are good, and let us cast out those things that are bad. Cast out the gold devils and the low-browed ward bosses.

The White Dollar.

It shall rule from the sands
Where the Great Lakes roll
To the ice-clad lands
Of the Austral pole.

'Tis the foe of greed,
'Tis a potent knight,
That draws his sword
At the call of right,
And joys at his strength
In the world-wide fight.

'Tis the foe of force
That would trample on
The hope of the home,
That would cloud the dawn
Of the full-light day
Of an age unborn.

'Tis a friend that will break
The gyves of gold,
That will tear from our necks
The iron hold
Of the foreign kings
And their systems old.

It will win, and the race
Will be better so,
And the western world
Will be all aglow
When the white streams through
Its trade-veins flow.

It will win, from the sands
Where the Great Lakes roll
To the ice-clad lands
Of the Austral pole.
—H. F. Thurston.

Why He Looked That Way.

A man traveling on a Missouri train, says an exchange, said he could tell by the looks of the passengers what political party they belonged to. "This man here," said the passenger, "is a Bryan Democrat." "Yes," said the passenger, "that's my politics." "That man over there is a sound-money Democrat." "That's correct," responded the passenger. "That man in the third seat is a Populist." "Correct you are," said the Populist. "And that man down further is a Republican, and voted for McKinley." "No, I am not," promptly responded the fellow. "I've been sick. That's what makes me look this way."

General Financial Wrecking.

The President has a natural affinity for bank-wreckers. The government is, in effect, a bank-wrecker on a large scale. It has been engaged in deliberately wrecking the people's financial affairs for many years. It is, therefore, appropriate, that its President should pardon bank-wreckers, as he has done in several cases, the most recent being the former president of an Albuquerque, N. M., national bank, who was serving a five-years' sentence.—San Francisco Star.

EDITORIALS.

Does the national banking system exercise the elective franchise under the government of the United States? Not at all. It simply exercises a wholesome supervision over the bosses and manipulators who regulate and control elections. — Silver Knight-Watchman.

We don't want a few palaces and a lot of hovels; we want a lot of good houses.—Journal of the Knights of Labor.

"Don't abandon the farm," warns the Stockton Independent. There is no necessity for the advice. Those who have had any experience in monkeying with a farm, know that it is mighty easy to get hold of one, but you can't let go of the darned thing when you want to.—Sacramento Bee.

The ugliest fact that confronts us under our present industrial organization is the fact that, at almost any given moment, there are in this country hundreds of thousands of able-bodied and honest men, with women and children dependent upon them, who would be glad to work steadily every day, yet whose one great anxiety in life is because their employment is uncertain, interrupted, or wholly precarious.—Review of Reviews.

With all the talk about dollar wheat that cereal is—with the aid of the greatest shortage of thirty years—but twelve cents higher than it was on this date a year ago, when there was an abundant crop and a big surplus. Comment is unnecessary.

The old maxim that "He who will not work, neither shall he eat," appears to be changed into "He who doeth no work shall live on the fat of the land; but he who labors and produces all wealth shall not taste of the fruits thereof, but in want and misery shall continue to labor, that others shall enjoy."

Alexander looked for more worlds to conquer. McKinley contents himself with looking for more bank presidents to pardon.

There is but one remedy. Nationalize the coal fields of the country. Make them the property of the nation, of the American people. Operate the mines for the people's benefit—away with the profit system in the coal mining industry! Then the miners will become men, enjoying a life worth living. Today they have been pressed down below the lives of beasts. Their very life is being crushed out of them. —Brewers' Journal.

The President has done one good thing. Let us honor him for it. He has reprimanded the court which was so lenient with Capt. Lovering for maltreating Private Hammond. Now, when the President gets to denouncing an industrial system that maltreats thousands of would-be honest men and women by throwing them out to starve of become criminals we'll honor him some more.—Appeal to Reason.

Senator Harris, the wise and patriotic statesman who represents Kansas in the United States senate, says the Kansas Pacific Railroad has never paid less than four per cent on $30,000,000. The road is indebted to the government for $19,000,000, and the scheme of the syndicates is to get it for $7,000,000, on the pretext that, without the Union Pacific and other connections, it would not be worth much. Now, let us see how much the administration will give away to the combine.

Nine hundred persons were interested in and benefited from the "Pingree" farms in Chicago this season. Though no figures are obtainable as to the actual value of the crops, it is known that many families received their entire subsistence from them. Verily, if Mother Earth and her children were but able to get together everywhere poverty would soon disappear.

In stating that no one with any sense ever expected the Wolcott commission to accomplish anything, the Topeka Capital simply confesses that the bimetallic plank of their last national platform was nothing but a scheme to catch votes.

Alas, Too True.

Who that understands the bond idea can feel the slightest interest in this Cuban war? For what are these patriots fighting? Is it liberty? In vain, in vain. To get that they must spill the blood of imperial Europe and these bonded United States besides. We, who do so sympathize, are meaner slaves than the half naked insurgents now in open resistance against, to them, an unendurable tyranny. And we are possessed of unconquerable, irresistible power. But we turn to little Cuba, and moan and heave our breasts. Within the borders of our own fair country are more starving, unemployed—always starving and never-to-be-employed—than ever set foot upon that island. Let us weep for ourselves, O, Americans? Nay! Weep is not the word. Bellow, it is bellow, instead. Let us bellow like calves, since there is not a good square battle left in us, unless, forsooth, it might be waged against liberty instead of for it.—Sam Flint in Appeal to Reason.

An Administration of Deficits.

The biggest visible thing the McKinley administration has developed is the deficit in the treasury, but that is nothing compared to the deficit in the pockets of the people through the protection afforded to trusts under the Dingley law.

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LOWNDES COUNTY STEAL.

Now the thing has been caught up with in Lowndes, the question naturally arises what is to be done about it? It will not be doubted that Lowndes county officials have been guilty of stealing at the rate of about $4,000 per annum of the public funds have been applied to the benefit of that county—though the funds may have been applied to the benefit of the county's select schools, and big salaries to their teachers—yet the crime is no less than actual embezzelement; if anything is a graver offense in that, it was done as an official act under cover of the law and by official perjury. We want to know if there is no punishment for the crime? Is it a crime without a penalty? Can the culprits in no way be reached? If these questions are answered in the negative, then the investigation is only worth $4,000 so far as Lowndes county is concerned to the general school fund every year an investigation is made, the expenses of which must be met out of the pudlic fund. How will that reach the evil complained of, which is one against the honesty and purity of official trust, and unless met in someway by the severities of the law in its punishment of the guilty will only be an advertisement to those who hold public trust that these sins mean nothing more than detection, and that, for the money there is in it, need not worry any one about it.

It seems that public sentiment is rapidly crystalizing that way. As in a number of exposurer for shortages in public accounts nothing further is done than to require those guilty of the neglect, errors, or whatever the character of the shortages, to make the latter good.

Where no further notices of such affairs are taken by those who have them in charge, or the law provides nothing further, one need not be surprised in the future if official position finally drifts from a public trust to public theft throughout the State.

Take this Lowndes county steal as an example.

If the matter is simply to be corrected with no more of it, the school officials of Lowndes having charge heretofore of the enumeration, can well congratulate themselves on their success for the last ten years in making their steal for the beneficiaries of the public fund in that county good to the tune, perhaps of not less than ½50,000.

Why shouldn't other communities try the same experiment? Why shouldn't other officials in other positions color up reports of their doings just a little in reports dealing with finance or as the basis of estimates in dealing with public funds where something can be recovered for individual profit, or county advantages?—Ashville Aegis.

A happy new year to all our readers.

"What's the matter with Hanna?"

It now looks as if Mr. Hanna cannot be elected Senator from Ohio.

Gov. Bushnel and Ex-Chairman Kurtz, assisted by John R. McLean, did the work for Mr. Hanna last Monday.

Hon. Hector D. Lane, Ex-Commissioner of Agriculture, had two strokes of paralysis last Saturday at his home in Athens, and is still quite sick.

The success of the fusion combine in Ohio last Monday demonstrates the fact that Mr Hanna will have to go down into his barrel if he expects to be Senator.

The resignation of Judge Miller as Probate Judge of Talladega county, to accept the appointment of judge of the city court, is a straw going to show that he had very little hopes of the success of the democrats counting in their ticket again next summer.

POPULIST ADDRESS.

From the Age-Herald.

No compromise with the democrats, state or national, is the keynote of an address to the voters of Alabama, issued by the populist executive committee, which met in Birmingham yesterday.

The address charges the democrats with playing traitor to every pledge, and knifes Governor Johnston for his crusade against dishonest country officers. It says that the democrats are untrue to the Chicago platform, the free silver plank of which was a snare to delude the people. It says that the democratic administration of the state has been uutrue to the people in almost every particular, and with the ring of the old-time populist calls on all lovers of honest elections and honest administrations to come to the support of the people's party.

The populist convention will be held on the first Wednesday in May, 1898, and while it has not been definitely decided, Birmingham will likely be the place.

The committee met at 12 o'clock. After organization and the ascertainment of a quorum, the committee adjourned until 1:30 p. m. The following members were present:

Chairman G. B. Deans, Frank Baltzell, secretary; Congressman M. W. Howard, of Cullman; J. J. Turrentine, of Athens; J. W. Hunnicutt, of Heflin; Dr. D. W. Day, of Hartselle; J. H. Harris, of Oak Bowery, Chambers county; J. C. Fonville, of Mt. Carmel; J. C. Flournoy, of Clayton; S. A. Leonard, of Mobile; Charles Spies, of Mobile; J. T. Cason, of Rockford; W. M. Wood, of Cullman; T. W. Powell, of Pinacle; John Shugart, of Birmingham; Hon. A. T. Goodwyn, of Robinson Springs; A. McHani, of Gadsden; C. H. Cooper, Hartselle; I. L. Brock, of Centre; Dr. W. T. Coggins, of Keener; A. C. Nixon, of Decatur; Tyler Goodwyn, of Wetumpka; C. W. Mathison, of Ozark; S. M. Adams, of Jemison; F. L. Foscue, Demopolis; Judge J. M. Davidson, Oneonta; G. B. Crowe, Birmingham; A. P. Longshore and J. W. Pitts, of Columbiana.

At 1:30 the committee re-assembled and proceeded with the regular order of business. J. C. Fonville, of Crenshaw county, was elected a member of the committee to supply the vacancy caused by the death of Dr. R. A. Lee, of Conecuh county.

A DELEGATE FOR EACH 200 VOTES.

A committee consisting of M. W. Howard, Tyler Goodwyn J. C. Fonville, F. L. Foscue and J. J. Turrentine, was appointed to fix the representation to be allowed to each county in all party conventions to be held before the first day of August next, with county conventions excepted. The committee submitted the folllowing report: That the basis of representation in the state convention shall be one delegate for every 200 votes, or fraction thereof over 100, cast for A. T. Goodwyn for governor in 1896; and in the judicial and chancery conventions the representation shall be one delegate for every 200 votes or fraction thereof over 50 cast for A. T. Goodwyn for governor in 1896.

LOOKS LIKE BIRMINGHAM.

A committee consisting of G. B. Deans, G. B. Crow and Frank Baltzell was appointed to select the place for this convention. This committee did not report yesterday, but in all probability Birmingham will be the place selected.

On motion the judicial and chancery conventions were fixed to be held on the same day and at the same place of the state convention, unless action has already been taken to the contrary in the respective districts. A committee, consisting of G. B. Deans, M. W. Howard, Frank Baltzell, Tyler Goodwin and G. B. Crow, was appointed to draft an address to the people of Alabama. The following is the result:

"The people's party of Alabama, true to its mission for reform and determined to put forth its best efforts for progress and good government, greets its membership with cheerfulness and hopefulness, and urges all to stand firm for its purposes and to move forward with zeal and determination in efforts for their accomplishment.

"The progress made in forcing the democratic party to except, in part, one of its demands for the free and unlimited coinage of silver, the demand for an income tax, and favorable enunciations on other of its purposes, are tributes to the correctness of its positions, but intended only to beguile and deceive the people. But let no one be misled by these compromises; for they are only the acceptors of policies which could not be successfully combatted in this state and purposes which could not be defeated, although that party had given twelve years of its labor and efforts to prevent not only these reforms, but within the past four years it was denouncing the people's party as anarchistic for contending for them.

"The silver democracy is not only not in earnest, but is already arranging to compromise its position on these questions with those who have remained steadfast and faithful to the history and principles of that party, to a middle ground which would mean nothing, but result only in disappointment to those who favor these purposes. The democratic party has repudiated its Chicago platform in Maryland and New York by ignoring any demand for the free and unlimited coinage of silver and gold, and also repudiated another demand of that platform in Virginia, Georgia, Alabama, Arkansas and Texas by defeating bills in the respective legislatures of these states, which provided for the inhibition of gold clauses in contracts".

HAS NOT FULFILLED A PLEDGE.

In no state has that party fulfilled any of the pledges of the Chicago platform, and no effort has been made to put the party on record in favor of it in congress. These show the insincerity of its promises and the certainty of its refusal to execute any of these pledges should that party have full power and control. The expressions of joy and delight by its members over the success of Tammany in New York, in its repudiation of the demands of that party as to silver coinage indicates its willingness and readiness to return to its gold standard policy and to copartnership with the trusts and syndicates which rob the people by their unjust exactions.

"The present state administration has forfeited the respect and confidence even of those who supported it by the zeal and earnestness with which it attempted to secure a convention to frame a new constitution which was intended to be made so unpopular and obnoxious to the present voters of the state that in the provisions of the act to call it, there was no exaction that it should be submitted to the people for ratiffcation, yet, that party, with the same purpose, will ask the people again for power in order to execute this same unfair and unjust purpose."

USELESS TAX ON OIL.

"It passed and has executed a law to tax coal oil, which demands a lower standard than any that has ever been sold in the state, and the money derived from this tax goes wholly to the inspectors, thus burdening the people with a useless tax which affords no revenue to the state, in order to increase the number of officials and afford lucrative employment to partisan henchmen.

"It has condoned and justified the frauds on the school fund by failure to execute the law against ballot box stuffers who committed this fraud, by which white children in a black belt county would get from $20 to $50 per capita, while the same fund to white children in white counties amounted to less than $1 per capita.

"With the purpose of affording lucrative employment to political supporters this administration has caused an increase in the number of examiners of public accounts, so as to create the impression that a "business administration" was very zealous of the interests of the people, while the result shows the aggregate collection are very little in access of the aggregate expenses, yet every official has been subjected to the suspicion of being a thief, and, in every instance possible, the stigma of disgrace has been ruthlessly blotted upon his fair name.

"Ostensibly to secure the fair and just taxation of all property in the state, and to enforce payment of all taxes for five years which had escaped, this administration has passed a law, which, in its execution, has proven the establishment of an obnoxious espionage, the useless and unnecessary imposition of burdens upon people who had a right to protection from such wrong, and a summary in results to all the people, of $2 of expense to those liable to be arraigned for every dollar that was secured to the state.

"It has failed and refused to pass an election law that would secure honest elections.

"It has failed and refused to prosecute democratic embezzlers of public monies.

"It has failed and refused to provide proper pensions for blind, indigent and disabled soldiers.

"It has discriminated in the administrrtion and execution of the law against different citizens of the state, for political reasons.

THE OLD ELECTION LAW CRY.

"It has failed to repress crime in the state by proper administration of the law.

"By reason of its unjust system of taxation and corrupt political methods, capital has been deterred from investment in this state and gone to other states less favored by nature and facilities.

"These, with other crimes of omission and commission, have prevented immigration to the state, retarded its growth and development, paralyzed enterprise, driven capital from investment within its borders, and prevented the richest and most favored state in the Union from forging its way forward to the processions of greatest wealth and most prosperous people.

"The paramount issue upon which the success of all good government depends is the free and honest expression of the people at the ballot box and the execution of their wishes. With dishonest election methods comes all the evils and crimes of bad government; and upon this issue depends all else. We denounce the avowed purpose of the democratic party of Alabama to disfranchise any class of citizens by constitutional convention or otherwise, and insist that, upon every principle of equity and justice, a man who fights the battles of the country and creates its wealth, above all others, has the right to shape the destiny of that country by his ballot.

"We invite the co-oporation and support of every voter of the state who is opposed to fraudulent and dishonest political and governmental methods and policies, and who desires to see the state released from a thraldom of ballot box stuffing and restored to that condition of peace and prosperity to which our people are justly entitled and their marvelous resources should command."

The address was signed by G. B. Deans, chairman, and Frank Baltzell, secretary.

Gov. Johnston, on Satuaday last, appointed Judge G. K. Miller as judge of the city court of Talladega and J. E. Camp as Probate Judge. Judge Miller has been Probate Judge of Talladega for two or three terms and outside of his conniving at ballot box stuffing made one of the best judges in the state. He resigned to accept the appointment of judge of the city court. Mr. Camp is a wealthy farmer in that county, and very popular with his party.

Birmingham is fast coming to the front as a cotton market. Her receipts for this season will exceed 100,000 bales.

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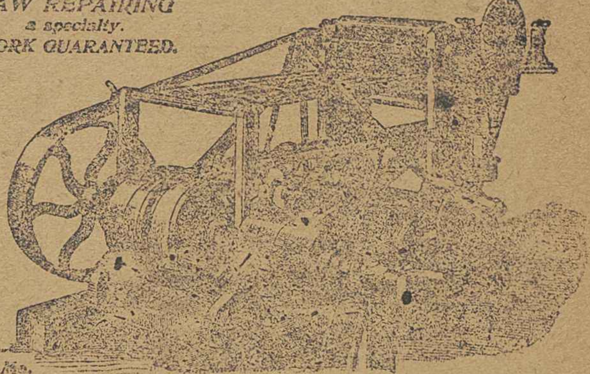

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SOUTHERN RAILWAY

Condensed schedule in effect December 5, 1897.

No. *29	STATIONS.	No. *19
3.25pm	lv....Selma....ar	11.25am
5.11pm	...Montevallo...	9.25am
7.55pm	ar..Birm'ham..lv	6.45am

No. †26	No. §23	STATIONS.	No. *25	No. §27
4.30am	5.45am	lv...Akron...ar	6.40pm	6.35pm
5.5am	6.4am	...Greensboro...	5.25pm	5.35pm
7.2am	7.39am	.....Marion.....	3.2pm	4.30pm
8.30am	8.3am	...Marion Jct...	2.55pm	3.4pm
9.50am	9.5am	ar...Selma...lv	1.50pm	3.00pm

No. *20	No. *16	STATIONS.	No. *15	No. *19
......	7.30pm	lv.New O'l's.ar	8.30am	......
......	3.30am	lv..Meridian.ar	9.50pm	......
......	6.25am	.....York.....	8.40pm	......
......	7.22am	...Demopolis...	7.15pm	......
......	8.13am	ar..Uniont'n.lv	7.01pm	......
......	8.50am	...Marion Jct...	6.11pm	......
......	9.27am	ar } Selma { lv	5.43pm	......
3.25pm	9.35am	lv } Selma { ar	5.35pm	11.28am
5.11pm	11.20am	...Montevallo...	3.50pm	9.25am
......	11.44am	....Calera....	3.27pm	......
......	12.04pm	...Columbiana...	3.05pm	......
......	12.34pm	..Childersburg..	2.35pm	......
......	1.32pm	...Talladega...	1.59pm	......
......	2.10pm	.....Oxford.....	1.15pm	......
......	2.23pm	....Anniston....	1.01pm	......
......	2.52pm	.Jacksonville..	12.41pm	......
......	3.16pm	...Piedmont...	12.15pm	......
......	4.07pm	.Cave Springs..	11.24am	......
......	4.45pm	.....Rome.....	10.45am	......
......	10.40pm	ar..Atlanta..lv	7.50am	......

*24	*38	*36	STATIONS.	*5	*37	*35
a m	a m	p m		a m	p m	p m
.....	5.55	4.15	lv..Birm'ham..ar	11.45	10.00	.....
.....	7.12	5.23	...Pell City...	10.25	8.45	.....
.....	8.10	5.59	...Anniston...	9.15	7.42	.....
.....	8.19	6.55	...Oxford...	9.07	7.32	.....
.....	8.55	7.33	....Heflin....	8.32	7.01	.....
.....	9.05	7.43	.Edwardsville..	8.18	6.50	.....
.....	9.13	7.53	..Fruithurst..	8.06	6.40	.....
5.50	9.30	8.15	..Tallapoosa..	7.44	6.23	7.55
7.13	10.30	9.24	.Douglasville..	6.30	5.16	6.29
7.25	10.40	9.35	.Lithia Springs.	6.20	5.05	6.15
8.20	11.30	10.30	ar..Atlanta..lv	5.30	4.15	5.15
a m	a m	p m		a m	p m	p m

STATIONS.	No. *12	No. *16
Lv Rome	......	4.55am
Lv Knoxville	8.25am	9.50pm
Ar Morristown	9.30am	11.55pm
Ar Hot Springs	11.45am	12.23am
Ar Asheville	1.15pm	2.3am
Ar Salisbury	6.40pm	6.4am
Ar Greensboro	9.50pm	8.50am
Ar Raleigh	7.10am	11.45am
Ar Norfolk	......	5.20pm
Ar Washington	6.42am	9.25pm
Ar New York	12.43pm	6.23am

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STATIONS.	No. 9
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Ar Chattanooga	7.30pm
Ar Cincinnati	7.30am
Ar Louisville	7.27am

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STATIONS.	No. 38	No. 36
Lv Atlanta	11.50pm	11.50pm
Ar Charlotte	8.20pm	9.05am
Ar Danville	12.00am	1.30pm
Ar Lynchburg	1.54am	3.50pm
Ar Charlottesville	3.30am	5.40pm
Ar Washington	6.42am	9.25pm
Ar Baltimore	8.00am	11.25pm
Ar Philadelphia	10.15am	2.56am
Ar New York	12.43pm	6.23am

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Probate Notice.

State of Alabama, Shelby County. } Probate Court.

Estate of William Booth, deceased. Letters of Administration on the Estate of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 18th day of October 1897, by the Hon. D. R. McMillan, Judge of the Probate Court of Shelby County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate, are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law, or the same will be barred.

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SOCIAL AND LOCAL NEWS.

Points About People You Know and Some You Don't Know. News From Different Beats.

Dr. Boyer, of Wilsonville, was in the city Tuesday.

J. W. Pilgreen, of Calera, was in the city yesterday.

Miss Mary Milner, of Anniston, is visiting relatives in the city.

A. B. Milner, of Selma, visited relatives in the city last week.

Mrs. J. W. Dykes visited relatives in Montevallo last week.

Joe P. Roberts spent several days in the Magic city last week.

Prof. Mynatt and lady spent the holidays with relatives in Calhoun.

Died, on the 31st inst., infant child of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Porter.

W. F. Thetford, Esq., spent the holidays with relatives in Talladega.

John A. Edwards, C. E., of Childersburg, was in the city yesterday.

C. L. Meroney, of Montevallo, spent several days in the city last week.

W. H. Kidd, of Vincent, was in the city a little while Monday on business.

Mrs Minnie Corcoran, of Loflin, Ala., is visiting the family of E. W. Chapman.

Miss Emma Looney, of Fayettville, is the guest of Mrs. J. W. Johnston.

I. W. Baily and wife, of Calera, visited relatives in the city several days last week.

Miss Emma Wilson, of Calera, was the guest of relatives in the city last week.

Maj. W. R. Oliver and A. Stien, of Calera, were in the city a little while Monday.

Hon. A. P. Longshore visited Childersburg Monday on professional business.

Mrs. A. E. Jackson, of Anniston, is visiting her sister, Mrs. S. T. Anchers this week.

R. G. Weldon and J. L. Ray, of Wilsonville, transacted business in the city Tuesday.

J. H. Brown and lady, of Montevallo visited relatives in the city several days last week.

John S. Leeper is spending a few days with friends and relatives in Blocton and Birmingham.

Miss Alice Jackson, of near Weldon, was the guest of her sister Mrs. Rufus Lester last week

Joseph Tinney, Sr., who has been quite sick for several days, is, we are glad to learn, improving.

Frank Elliott left Saturday for Birmingham, where he goes to enter Massey's Business College.

Sam Lefkovits and lady returned Monday from Bessemer, where they had been to spend the holidays.

Will Milner, of Birmingham, spent several days in the city last week with relatives and friends.

Prof, W. B. Greek and daughter Miss Ethel, of Centre, spent the holidays with relatives in the city.

Remember that the Populist County Executive Committee meets at the court house next Saturday.

Rev. W. I. Sinnott preached two good sermons at the Presbyterian church Sunday, morning and evening.

Miss Ida O'Hara, who is teaching a school at K. Spring, spent the holidays with her parents in the city.

Commissioners court is in session this week. We will give a synopsis of their proceedings next week.

W. B. Browne, J. R. Beavers and J. T. Leeper are attending the Supreme Court in Montgomery this week.

The Advocate was pleased to see Mr. Levi Longshore on the streets Tuesday, the first time in several weeks.

J. S. Falkner, our clever assistant postmaster, spent a few days last week with "the olds folks at home."

Misses Lucy Smith and Kate Huyett, of Maline, spent the holidays with relatives and friends in the city.

J. S. Pitts, tax assessor, left for his home at Vincent Tuesday. As soon as he can make out his delinquent list, he will commence work on his assessment books.

J. W. Dykes is confined to his room with sickness, but the Advocate hopes the attack is nothing serious.

Miss Myrtle Swain, after spending the holidays with relatives and friends in the city, returned to Vienna, Ill., last Friday.

Misses Ruby Looney and Sue Stone, of the Columbiana Graded School, returned from a pleasant visit home Saturday.

Miss Arth, of Washington, D. C., who has been in the city for several months, left last week for her home in Washington.

All the teachers were on hand Monday ready for their duties in the school, refreshed and invigorated by their weeks rest.

Misses Essie and Pattie Mason, after spending the holidays at home, returned to the Tuscaloosa Female College Monday.

Miss Mattie Hand, a charming young lady from Jemison, is spending a few days in the city, the guest of Mrs. B. L. Moore.

Mr. Erlick, of Bessemer, and who is also a member of the firm of the Columbiana Mercantile company, is spending a few days in the city.

S. B. Strickland and family have moved to Fourmile, and we understand that E. T. Hunter will move into the house vacated by Mr. Strickland.

I want 500 bushels of Clay and Speckled Peas, for which I will pay the highest market price in groceries, at rock bottom figures
J. H. Hammond.

George E. Mason is, we regret to learn, quite sick at the residence of his father I. D. Mason. The Advocate hopes in its next issue to be able to report him as convalesing.

Though slightly disfigured, I am still in the fight, with the cheapest and best stock of groceries FOR CASH.
J. H. Hammond.

John P. Spencer and family left Tuesday for Birmingham, where they will reside in the future. Mr. Spencer has been a citizen of Columbiana for 27 years, and we regret to see them leave.

The weather interfered somewhat with the parade Christmas day, but nevertheless it was a success and greatly enjoyed by our citizens. The rain prevented their going to Shelby as intended.

Mr. Farmer Seale, son of S. H Seale of this county, and a conductor on the Southern Railway, who was so badly mashed last week as to necessitate the amputation of one arm, is said to be improving.

The political pot in Shelby is beginning to boil, and soon will be bubbling over. The clans are forming and soon the skirmishing will commence. The Advocate proposes to be in the fight when it opens.

Misses Nellie Parker, Anna Milner, Edna Nelson, Lucy Leeper and Sadie Williams, of the Girls Industrial School at Montevallo, spent the holidays with their parents in the city, and returned to Montevallo Tuesday.

Read the advestisement of Williams Bros., the new drug firm, in another column. Doctor's John and Hart Williams, the proprietors, are both well known to the citizens of Shelby as good physicians and good business men.

Columbiana can now boast of the best free school in the state. Prof. Mynatt, the principal, is peculiarly fitted for the position which he fills, and his three assistants are all up-to-date teachers, who have been thoroughly educated for the profession of teaching.

What has become of all the Advocate correspondents? We can excuse the young men, as they have hardly had time to recover from the holiday festivities, but we do miss our lady correspondents. Send in your weekly letters friends, and be certain to have them reach us by Tuesday of each week.

There have been considerable moving around in the last week. H. M. Norris has moved into the house vacated by J. P. Spencer. H. H. Sammons has moved into the house vacated by Mr. Bridges, W. H. Bird has moved into the house vacated by Mr. Sammons and Mr. John Thompson has moved into the house vacated by W. H. Bird. Dr. Rowe has rented the Mardis place, and will move there this week.

Christmas at White House.

Last week marked one of the happiest eras in the history of the White House. Beginning with the arrival of Miss Myrtle Swain, one of the most accomplished young ladies in the South, on Wednesday, before Christmas; then with the arrival of Montevallo school girls, teachers and preachers, until the house was filled to such an extent, that even the walls and trees around, rocked and waived with happy grandeur. Various, variable and varigated games were enjoyed from the "contests of Cupid's darts" by way of the "drunken Irishman" down to the time-honored game of 'Clubfist," (the latter game however, being played at a time when "Old guests were won't to sleep.") Exclamations could be heard ever and anon from different rooms, "O! I believe I love him, but he is rather young, yet O! how nice." From other parts would come ringing echo, "Isn't she a daisy, she is the sweetest girl I ever saw." But Christmas has come and gone, and with its whirling wheels of gaiety has rolled into Time, the glories and blessings of a New Year.

Let us all praise God for the good time spent, and implore his divine guidance that we may be brought safely through another year, and with that sunshine in our souls, that should characterize the children of God, let us joyfully sing: "Praise God from whom all blessings flow."

CLUBFIST.

Committed Suicide.

We regret to learn that Miss Dora, daughter of William Strain, Jr., committed suicide Saturday evening last, at the residence of father, on Beeswax Creek, by taking "rough on rats." We have not been able to get full particulars, but understand that she took the dose Saturday evening late and died Sunday morning at 5 o'clock.

To Teachers.

I am authorized to state that the money due teachers for quarter ending Dec. 31st, 1897, will not be ready until after Jan. 15th 1898.

EUGENE WILLIAMS,
County Supt. of Education.

Attention Shelby.

I will be in Shelby, Wednesday, January 12, at the Danamora Hotel. Call and see me.

Dr. W. A. Lovett,
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Dr. W. A. Lovett,
Dentist.

The church supper at the residence of Hon. W. B. Browne, by the ladies of the Presbyterian church on the night of Dec. 27th, was, like everything else they undertake, a success. The supper was all that could be wished, and was greatly enjoyed by every one present. We have not heard the amount realized, but it must have been $30 or $40 net.

Last Saturday about 7 a. m., the roof of the kitchen at the Methodist parsonage caught fire, and Columbiana came very near having a serious conflagration. Fortunately Mr. Burns discovered the fire before it had made much headway, and with the assistance of Mr. W. P. Thomas and others, succeeded in extinguishing the flames before much damage was done.

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Lewis Blows.

Health very good.

Ed. Russell, who has been quite sick with billious fever, is now convalescing.

Messrs. L B. and G. W. Riddle attended the wedding of Mr. Robert Galloway on Tuesday Dec. 28th, and reported a grand and a lovely time. We wish Bob a long and happy life.

Miss Della Armstrong, of Camp Branch, is visiting relatives in this community this week, much to the delight of some of our boys.

Clarence Russell, of near Fayettville, visited his brother Ed. and family at this place Sunday.

Your humble correspondent had the exquisite pleasure of spending a few of the holidays with Vincent friends, dear and bird hunting.

Harvey Waters, of this place, spent the latter part of last week with Talladega and Coosa county friends, and reports a lovely time.

N. G. Brasher, of the Center School, spent Christmas with home folks at Vandiver, returning Thursday, accompanied by his mother and sister Miss Francis, who spent a few days here with relatives.

Miss Nancy Crumpton, of this place, spent Xmas holidays with relatives near Harpersville, and reported a nice time.

Our Xmas trees at both places, Center School House and Fourmile, we are glad to state, was a grand success, and was greatly enjoyed by all who attended.

Messrs. J. N. and E. B. Lyon paid Siluria a pleasant visit a few days last week, dear hunting, and we are glad to state they met with grand success.

J. B. Farrell spent Christmas holidays with home folks.

The singing at J. C. Lyon's Friday night was enjoyed by all who were present.

Miss Eva Farr will open school at Center Hill church on Monday, January 10. We wish her a grand success in governing her school, as it is her first.

Some of our boys and girls enjoyed a social entertainment and singing at J. S. Jackson's Saturday night.

Mr. David Stone has a smile that extends from ear to ear, it is two beautiful twin girls.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Hughs and Mr. Whorton, of Mt. Valley, were in our community a few days last week, visiting the relatives of the former. Come again good people, you will always find a hearty welcome.

Little Bessie Powell, we are glad to state, is doing as well as could be expected with her burn.

Prof. W. J. Horsley spent Christmas with his home folke at Sand Mountain, and returned last Friday.

SAGER.

A special to the Age-Herald from Huntsville last Saturday says, that Rev. A. E. Burns of that city has accepted a call to pastorate of the Baptist church at Wilsonville, and will, in a few days, move his family to that place. The Advocate is informed that Mr. Burns has also been elected pastor of the Baptist church at this place and Harpersville. He will preach two Sundays at Wilsonville and one each at this place and Harpersville. The churches are to be congratulated on securing the services of this distinguished divine.

TO CONSUMPTIVES.

The undersigned having been restored to health by simple means, after suffering for several years with a severe lung affection, and that dread disease, CONSUMPTION, is anxious ot make known to his fellow sufferers the means of cure. To those who desire it, he will cheerfully send (free of charge) a copy of the prescription used which they will find a sure cure for CONSUMPTION, ASTHMA, CATARRH, BRONCHITIS, and all throat and lung MALADIES. He hopes all sufferers will try his remedy, as it is valuable. Those desiring the prescription, wich will cost them nothing, and may prove a blessing, will please address.

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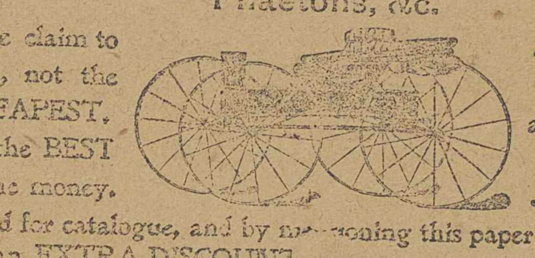

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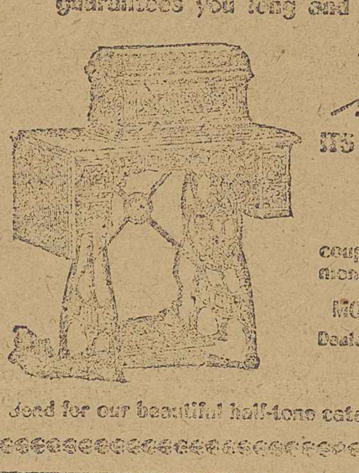

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Notice No. 19366.
Notice for Publication.

Land Office at Montgomery, Ala., December 7, 1897.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court at Columbiana, Ala., on January 20th 1898, viz: James S. Cardin, Homestead entry No. 24,047, for the E½ of NW¼, Sec. 34, Tp. 24 north of range 15 east.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: James D. Whiten, John M. Bates, William M. Connell, James M. Connell, all of Shelby, Ala.

ROBERT BARBER, Register.

Notice No. 19355.
Notice for Publication.

Land Office at Montgomery, Ala., December 1, 1897.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court at Columbiana, Ala., on January 13, 1898, viz; Ambros J. Davis, Homestead entry No. 27,150, for the north half of north west quarter, north west quarter of north east quarter, Sec. 22, Tp. 20 south range 2 west.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Joseph E. Gibson, Reuben T. Horton, Thomas A. Williams, all of Pelham, Ala., William. C. Blackerby, of Columbiana, Ala.

ROBERT BARBER, Register.

Notice No. 19342.
Notice for Publication.

Land Office at Montgomery, Ala. November 29, 1897.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court, at Columbiana, Ala., on January 26th, 1898, viz: John F. McDonald, Homestead entry, No. 25,392, for the E½ of NE¼, section 24, township 20 south of range 1 west.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Joseph M. Crenshaw, William L. Bentley, Monroe Vick, Allen A. Ray, all of Lewis, Ala.

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North east quarter, and part of the south east quarter of section 28, township 19, range 2 east; south west quarter of the south east quarter of section 21, township 19, range 2 east; south west quarter of the north west quarter of section 27, township 19, range 2 east; north west quarter of the north east quarter of section 21, township 19, range 2 east; west half of the south west quarter, and the south east quarter of the north west quarter of section 27, township 18, range 2 east; 20 acres off of east side of the north east quarter of the south east quarter of section 28, township 18, range 2 east; west half of the north east quarter of section 34, township 18, range 2 east; west half of the south west quarter of section 21, township 19, range 2 east; north east quarter of the south east quarter of section 20, township 19, range 2 east; all that portion east of Glade, of the south east quarter of the south east quarter of section 20, township 19, range 2 east; north east quarter of the south east quarter of section 21, township 19, range 2 east; south east quarter of the south east quarter, and the north west quarter of the south west quarter of section 21, township 19, range 2 east; south west quarter of the south west quarter of section 8, township 19, range 2 east; west half of the north west quarter of section 17, township 19, range 2 east; north east quarter, and the east half of the north east quarter of the north west quarter of section 18, township 19, range 2 east; west half of the north west quarter, and the west half of the north east quarter, of the north west quarter of section 18, township 19, range 2 east; south half of the north east quarter, and all of the south east quarter of section 10, township 20, range 2 east; south east quarter of the north west quarter, and the east half of the south west quarter of section 10, township 20, range 2 east; north west quarter and the west half of the south west quarter of section 11, township 20, range 2 east; north west quarter of the north east quarter, and the north east quarter of the north west quarter of section 15, township 20, range 2 east; south east quarter and all of the west half of section 14, township 20, range 2 east; south half of the north east quarter, and the north west quarter and the south half fraction of section 23, township 20, range 2 east; east half of the south east quarter, of the north east quarter, and 17 acres off of the north east quarter of the south east quarter fractional of section 22, township 20, range 2 east: west half of the north east quarter of section 14, township 20, range 2 east; west half of the north west quarter, and the south west quarter of the north west quarter of section 10, township 20, range 2 east; north east quarter of the south east quarter of section 9, township 20, range 2 east; north east quarter, and the east half of the north west quarter of section 30, township 19, range 2 east; east half of the north west quarter of the north west quarter, and the east half of the south east quarter of the north east quarter of section 30, township 19, range 2 east; south west quarter of the north west quarter of section 29, township 19, range 2 east; south west quarter of the south east quarter of section 33, township 18, range 2 east; south west quarter of the north west quarter, and 30 acres in the north west quarter of the north west quarter of section 3, township 19, range 2 east; east half of the north east quarter, and the north west quarter of the north east quarter, and the east half of the north west quarter of section 4, township 19, range 2 east; south half of the north west quarter of section 26, township 18, range 2 east; north east quarter of the north west quarter of section 35, township 18, range 2 east; south east quarter of the north east quarter, and 30 acres off of the south end of the north east quarter of the south east quarter of section 33, township 18, range 2 east; east half of the south east quarter, and the south east quarter of the north east quarter, and 30 acres in the north west quarter of the south east quarter of section 22, township 18, range 2 east; north west quarter of the south west quarter, and 6 acres in the north east quarter of the south west quarter of section 23, township 18, range 2 east; north west quarter of section 30, township 19, range 2 east. Also one two story brick store house and lot, and one frame store house and lot in Harpersville, and one brick store house and lot in Vincent.

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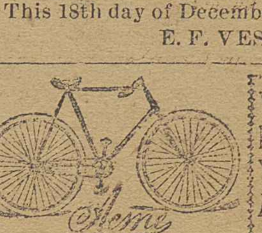
E. F. VEST, Sheriff.



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Pertinent Paragraphs of the Late News of the State.

Squire Joel Hardee, of Monroe county, fell dead at the dinner table.

Suicide at Greensboro.

David J. Castleman, one of the oldest residents of Greensboro, committed suicide Thursday night by shooting himself through the heart.

Burned to Death.

Mrs. Lizzie Wilson, an aged woman of Eufaula, was so seriously burned as to cause her death. Her clothing caught from an open fire.

Killed Himself Accidentally.

William Cade, a resident of Paducah, Ky., was found dead near the house of his son in Wilcox county. A gunshot wound was the cause of his death, supposed to have been accidental.

Crushed Between Cars.

While Car Inspector Henry Smith was working between two cars on the Southern railway, at Selma, one of the drawbars was broken, the switch engine backed on him, crushing him between the two cars. It is thought he is fatally injured.

Assignment at Montgomery.

The doors of the Builders' and Painters' Supply company, of Montgomery, one of the largest dealers in its line of goods in the state, were closed Monday. The liabilities and assets are not yet known.

Wants Its Capital Stock Reduced.

A petition has been filed in the probate court signed by sixty-five stockholders representing two-thirds of the capital stock of the South Anniston Land company, asking that the capital stock of the company be reduced from $1,000,000 to $75,000.

Repentance and Death.

A special from Guntersville says John L. Lovelace, a well known farmer, went to his home near Union Grove, after having been on a spree during the Christmas holidays, and, in a fit of repentance, seized a Colt's derringer and blew out his brains.

Big Day for the State Treasury.

The last day of the year was a big day in the state treasurer's office, there being certified into the treasury $113,000. Of this Judge Jones, as attorney of the Louisville & Nashville, paid to the credit of the counties through which the road runs $42,000.

Setting a Business-Like Example.

The farmers of Madison county are beginning to set a business-like example before the other counties of the state. Instead of running their large farms at a loss, as many have done, they are beginning to cut them up into forty, eighty and 100 acre tracts and to sell them to the thrifty farmers from the Northwest, who are settling in that part of the state.

Charter for New Railroad.

The Southern Railway company has filed an application for a charter at Jasper, Marion county, Tenn., asking to be allowed to extend its line through that county. This means that the Southern will build a direct line from Stevenson into Chattanooga, a distance of about sixty miles. Owing to the mountainous country the work will be quite expensive. The new road will pass through four different counties, which now have little or no railroad facilities.

To Change Alabama School Laws.

The committee on educational status of the State Educational association met in Birmingham and drafted a plan to secure needed changes in the state's laws, whereby the public school system can be improved and school funds be increased. It was decided that the committee draft an entirely new school law, and, after submission for approval and amendment to the next annual meeting of the association, present same to the next legislature for adoption.

Populist Convention Called.

The executive committee of the people's party met in Birmingham the past week and issued an address to the voters of Alabama, in which the keynote is, no compromise with the democrats, state or national.

The address charges the democrats with playing traitor to every pledge, and knifes Governor Johnston for his crusade against the dishonest county officers. It says that the democrats are untrue to the Chicago platform, the free silver plank of which was a snare to delude the people. It says that the democratic administration of the state has been untrue to the people in almost every particular, and with the ring of the old-time populist calls on all lovers of honest elections and honest administrations to come to the support of the people's party.

The populist convention will be held on the first Wednesday in May, 1898, and while it has not been definitely decided, Birmingham will likely be the place.

Disastrous Fire at Hayneville.

Hayneville was visited by one of the most disastrous fires in its history Thursday morning at 1 o'clock. It originated in the warehouse of W. T. Brightman & Co., and with a northeast wind the flames spread rapidly. The next building that caught was a livery stable of J. E. Miller. Fifteen horses and mules were burned. Efforts were made to save them without success. Next was the livery business of B. F. McWhorter, who saved his vehicles and horses. The general mercantile establishments of Dr. W. P. Russell and Pritchett & Rudolph were also consumed, as well as the stock of D. Goldstein, who occupied a storehouse of Dr. W. P. Russell.

The loss is as follows: W. T. Brightman & Co., $200; J. E. Miller, $500; B. F. McWhorter, $200; W. P. Russell, $5,200; Pritchett & Rudolph, $1,700; J. C. Light, $300; Pritchett & Merriwether, $3,000; Joe Lloyd, $300. The insurance will cover about one-sixth of the loss. The fire is supposed to be of incendiary origin.

AN EXCELLENT RECORD.

Notes From Montevallo's and Alabama's Famous School for Girls.

About twenty-five new pupils have engaged scholarships in the Girl's Industrial school for entrance after the holidays. This will make the enrollment between 360 and 400. Over 300 of these are boarding pupils and come from various portions of the state.

About 250 pupils in the school spent the holidays at their homes and are now coming back, many of whom bring new girls with them.

Out of the class of last session who graduated in the school of typewriting and stenography, seven out of nine have nice paying positions.

Quite a number of Mrs. Hudson's pupils in telegraphy can receive and send messages nicely. This is the only school in the state connected with the outside world by telegraph. The day before the school closed for the holidays over forty messages were handled through the college office.

Miss Mamie Guy, one of the most proficient pupils in the school of dressmaking, has an offer from a house in Kentucky to take charge of their dressmaking department as soon as she obtains her diploma in this line.

The pupils in the dressmaking department made $130 clear in November and nearly a hundred dollars in December. This money goes direct to the pupils earning it. This is all done in connection with their other studies and does not in any way conflict with them.

One girl who graduated in typewriting and stenography last year now has a position that enables her to keep her younger sister in the school this year.

BREVITIES.

A cotton seed oil mill is to be built early in the spring at Lafayette.

The Reid Hardware Company of Montgomery has made an assignment.

A steamer line between Mobile and Portersville will be inaugurated soon.

The North Alabamian will be resuscitated at Tuscumbia by W. S. Keller, son of the late editor and publisher, Capt. A. H. Keller.

Farmer Seals, a conductor on the Selma division of the Southern railroad, had his arm cut off while coupling cars at York. He was dragged about twenty-five yards under the car.

F. F. Conway, editor of the Bridgeport News, received as a Christmas present an appointment as assistant doorkeeper of the house of representatives at Washington at a salary of $1,000 per year.

Friday morning Collector James Bingham announced the following appointments: James F. Files, of Townley, Walker county, storekeeper and gauger. John B. Hammond, of Attalla, Etowah county, Deputy Collector for the Montgomery District.

During the past few days revenue officers have made several big raids upon illicit distilleries. The biggest raid was reported from Round Mountain island, Limestone county, where an 80-gallon still and a quantity of material was destroyed on an island in the creek.

S. P. Locke, a prominent Memphis business man, lost his life near Jasper in a mysterious way. He secured a berth in a sleeper at Memphis and asked to be awakened at Jasper, and when the latter place was reached he was not on the train. Subsequently his remains were found on a trestle.

W. B. Witherspoon, editor of the Piedmont Inquirer and Alabama Cumberland Presbyterian, has perfected all his plans to move to Anniston, and will probably move by the 1st of January. Mr. Witherspoon will move the Alabama Cumberland Presbyterian there and will also issue a weekly to be known as the Anniston Inquirer. The Piedmont Inquirer will continne to be published at Piedmont.

Steamer Sank; All on Board Saved.

The American steamer Soledad, Captain Panyer, which cleared from Mobile, Ala., on December 20, with cattle from Brinkerhoff, of Matanzas, stuck on Punta Guanas the reefs off Matanzas and soon afterwards sank. The captain, his wife and the sixteen men composing the crew of the Soledad were saved and are being care for by United States Consul Erico, at Havana.

Strike Ended.

After several conferences between the miners and coal mine operators in the Tennessee-Kentucky district, on the line of the Cincinnati Southern railway, an amicable adjustment of the existing differences has been reached, and the men will return to work. This conclusion was reached by the miners' committee after several hours' deliberation, when it was decided to accept a reduction of 5 per cent.

At Port au Prince, Hayti, Thursday night, a fire which assumed considerable proportions on acount of lack of water to supply the pumps, broke out and destroyed 800 houses, including a number of warehouses, a hotel, the Church of St. Joseph and its parsonage. About 3,000 people were rendered homeless.

The Merchants' and Traders' bank of Brunswick, Ga., has failed. A majority of the stockholders are solvent and the depositors will be paid off in full if the court expenses do not consume all the cash realized.

Not Too Old For Romance.

A special from Versailles, Ky., says: The most romantic wedding in Versailles' history was solemnized Fridry, when J. B. Haggin, the New York multi-millionaire and turfman, led to the altar Miss Pearl Voorhis, of this city, niece of his former wife. Mr. Haggin is a white bearded veteran of 74, while his bride is only 28.

Governor Taylor, of Tennessee, issued a call Thursday for the assembling of the legislature in extra session January 17.

Mammoth Hydrangea.

Mrs. F. J. Chase, of Washington, Maine, has a hydrangea paniculata grandiflora which covers an eara of 136 square feet and has over 1,200 large panicles of flowers upon it.

MONETARY COMMISSION'S REPORT.

Made by Authority of the Indianapolis Business Men's Convention.

The report of the Monetary Commission appointed under authority of the convention of business men, held in Indianapolis last January, has just been made public. The existing gold standard on which business has been done since 1879 is maintained on the ground the industrial interests demand certainty as to what the standard shall be. To this end it is urged that the United States should remove all uncertainty as to the meaning of "coin" in its obligations, thereby saving the taxpayer by the ability to borrow at a lower rate of interest. No attempt is made to remove the existing silver dollars, nor to change their legal tender quality; on the contrary, a place is provided for them in the circulation by forbidding the issue of any paper money other than silver certificates in denominations below $10.

It is regarded by the Commission as dangerous to maintain the present practice of using Government demand obligations as money.

The Commission, therefore, strongly urge the Government to withdraw its demand obligations now used as money, decline to provide gold for exporters and put the burden and expense of maintaining a redeemable paper circulation upon the banks. In order to meet the demand obligations, the present reserves of gold in the Treasury furnish a sufficient sum to be set aside in a Division of Issue and Redemption; and the Secretary of the Treasury is authorized to sell bonds whenever the reserves need replenishment. In this way, or from surplus revenue, the demand obligations (that is, United States notes and Treasury notes of 1890,) can be removed in such a way that the cost to the country can be reduced, with the result of simplifying our currency, and adding to confidence in the certainty of our standard. By the plan of the Commission the withdrawal of Government paper is so arranged that contraction cannot possibly take place; if United States notes are cancelled their place will be taken by the gold paid out for them, or by the expansion of bank notes.

The demand obligations of the United States were not a money based on property; they were only a debt. On the other hand, a bank note is never issued (fraud, of course, excluded) except for a consideration in negotiable property of equal or greater value. The bank note comes forth as the sequel of a business transaction, and is based on the active property of the country which is passing between producers and consumers. This property is always negotiable and always equal to the duty of meeting the note liability. Bank notes are as sound as the business transactions of the country. The currency of the country, moreover, should increase as the transactions of the country increase; hence the rigid unchanging issues of the Government make them an inelastic part of the circulation, while by the very process of their issue bank notes alone can be automatically adjusted to the changing transactions of the business community.

In amending the present national banking system, the Commission were actuated by a desire to secure absolute safety to the note holder; to make the notes uniform and of equal currency in all parts of the country to create an elastic system, which, while expanding in response to increasing transactions, should healthily contract when transactions diminish, and which would help in a better distribution of banking facilities throughout the Western and Southern States.

While providing for the partial use of bonds for securing notes (twenty-five per cent. of the capital) the Commission propose that notes beyond this should be issued on all, instead of a part of the resources of a bank; and within a few years that no special bond security should be required. Banks may issue notes up to sixty per cent. of their capital without restraint; for issue beyond sixty per cent. and up to eighty per cent. they pay a tax of two per cent.; for those beyond eighty per cent. and up to 100 per cent. they pay a tax of six per cent. These notes would be a prior lien upon all the resources of the bank, and, in addition, upon the stockholders' liability. Moreover, all banks issuing notes contribute five per cent. of their circulation as a permanent guaranty fund. For daily redemptions, banks are required to keep a five per cent. redemption fund in the hands of the Comptroller of the Currency. Banks of $25,000 capital may be established in places of 4000 inhabitants, and branch banks are also permitted.

A Royal Wardrobe.

"Marie-Antoinette as Dauphine" is the title of an article in the Century, by Miss Anna L. Bicknell, who says:

The Dauphine was allowed a sum of 120,000 livres for her dress alone; but she never interfered in any way, and everything was decided without consulting her, by the dame d'atour, who ordered what was necessary according to her own appreciation, and settled the bills of the tradesmen. At the end of the year she presented incomprehensible accounts, which the Dauphine was required to approve, with the result that her expenses greatly exceeded the allotted sum, through no fault of hers. Mercy was called to the rescue, and discovered the most absurd extravagance. For instance, three ells of ribbon, to tie the powdering gown of the Dauphine, were put down daily; also several ells of silk (daily!) to cover the basket in which her gloves and fan were deposited, with many other items of the same kind, noted by Mercy in solemn reprobation. With all this waste, the arrangements about her were strangely deficient in comfort.

Fashion Notes.

Plissed materials are in high vogue.

The newest Russian blouse has the frill worn below the belt, only a little full and slashed in tabs.

Cloth blouses on outdoor suits are made to turn back in front, revealing a facing of velvet and gay satin or cloth-braided vest.

Some of the fashionable shades in dress goods are green, red, purple, bright and navy blue, all shades of brown, tan and black.

FOR COUGHS AND COLDS.

Home-Made Candies That May Be Easily Made at Home.

The present unseasonable, damp weather, fruitful in colds, brings an inevitable demand for cough candy and troches. Nearly all the excellent cough candies and troches of commerce have once been made by family recipes. It was formerly the practice of many mothers to prepare a stock of these candies at the beginning of each winter. Shining amber-tinted lozenges of horehound made at home, or white candies of Iceland moss soothed the weary hours of children who were shut indoors with colds. Where one has abundance of time it certainly pays to prepare these candies at home, for only a few confectioners make them as they were prepared in the last generation. Yet they are easily made, and are wholesome confections because of their tonic powers. The herb has the ability, when administered in proper quantity, to excite the flow of perspiration.

To make horehound candy put an ounce of the dried herb in a pint of boiling water. It may be bought at an herb store or at almost any drug store. It may also be easily gathered at the brookside in summer and dried, for it is a familiar plant. Strain off the infusion of horehound and add a pound of sugar to every half-pint of the liquid. Boil the syrup until it threads, and the thread cracks off brittle when bitten, and then pour it out on buttered sheets of tin. When it is partly cooled crease it into inch squares, and when it is hard break it up into separate candies. If these candies are too bitter for your taste, lessen the amount of horehound a little.

Iceland moss makes an excellent soothing cough candy. Take five cents' worth of the lichen, soak it over night and wash it repeatedly. Take it out of the last water and put it in a thick, porcelain-lined saucepan in plenty of cold water, and let it slowly simmer over the fire until the water is of a thick, starchy consistency. Add a pound of sugar to half a pint of the thickened water. Stir the syrup repeatedly until a drop forms a creamy ball when rolled between the finger and thumb. It must be stirred repeatedly, or it will burn. Pour it out on buttered biscuit pans that have sides, which will prevent the candy spreading in too thin a sheet. It should be about half an inch thick.

The chief objection to a great many cough candies of the shops is that they contain morphine, and even raw opium, in more or less quantity. There are some popular cough candies which contain enough morphine to put to sleep a person who is easily affected by this drug. Especially is this so when the candies are consumed without much thought as to results. Candies containing morphine are certainly dangerous for children to eat, and it is strange that accidents do not occur more often when confectioners handle such dangerous drugs.

A simple troche which is easily prepared at home is made as follows: Mix together one ounce each of powdered cubebs, liquorice and gum-arabic. Add to this mixture one dram of oil of aniseed and a third of an ounce of oil of cubebs. When the oils are mixed in add half a pound of raw sugar, and finally just enough warm water to make a dough as stiff as you can handle. Sprinkle a board with a little powdered licorice and roll out the mass as thin as a pie crust. Cut it into small troches with a thimble. Let them dry on a board in a closet or any cool dry room. If the atmosphere is not too moist they will dry in a day. They are excellent to soothe any roughness of the throat that causes a cough. They will frequently entirely stop a troublesome cough which comes from some such trifling nervous cause. The materials are simple, and are easily obtained at any drug store. Do not put them on the fire to mix them, but do all the work on a board.

Keeping Meat.

A scientist gives a bit of information for housekeepers that may be found useful. He says meats ought never to be wrapped in paper even while coming from the butcher's, much less should they be left in paper over night, or when put away in the icebox. A large-sized sheet of paper will absorb half of the juice of a good steak if it has the opportunity, and thus destroy the most delicate and relishable portion of it. One housekeeper has a covered china dish that she sends to the market, and in this meats are placed. When she requires a large amount she often sends the porcelain-lined preserving kettle with a rack in the bottom and a piece of ice underneath. Of course this is not necessary in very cold weather, but during fall and spring people do not realize that meats deteriorate very rapidly upon exposure to the air. The temperature is so much cooler for them that they forget that chemical changes take place quickly even in moderately cool weather. A market basket fitted with an agate tray or basin is excellent for meats. An ordinary cover may be used, and in this way the steaks and joints will come to the table in a much better state than as though they had been allowed to give up their substance to a bit of manilla. The custom of sending home butter in wooden trays is severely criticised. The wood is almost certain to impart a disagreeable flavor to the butter. It may not develop immediately, but the butter will not keep as long, and is quite sure to become objectionable before it is used. Paper is quite as bad, and when one reflects on the material of which ordinary paper is made the suggestion is scarcely calculated to prove an appetizer. Of course a very high degree of heat and powerful chemicals are great cleansers, but all the same a fastidious taste prefers the purity that comes of contact with nothing but surfaces known to be perfectly clean.—The Ledger.

Education in Mexico.

Mexico's education law provides for the following course of instruction in the public schools of the Federal district and territories: Reading and writing in the Spanish language, moral instruction, principles of arithmetic and geometry, elements of geography, national history, drawing, use of mechanical tools, gymnastics, military exercises for boys, and sewing, etc., for girls. Attendance is to be compulsory for ten months in the year between the ages of six and twelve years.

Queerest Town in England.

The most curious town in England is Northwich. There is not a straight street, nor, in fact, a straight house, in the place; every part of it has the appearance of having recently suffered from the visitation of an earthquake.

Northwich, as every one knows, is the center of the salt industry. On nearly all sides of the town are big salt works, with their engines pumping hundreds of thousands of gallons of brine every week.

At a depth of some two hundred or three hundred feet are immense subterranean lakes of brine, and as the contents of these are pumped and pumped away, the upper crust of earth is correspondingly weakened, and the result is an occasional subsidence.

Those subsidences have a "pulling" effect on the nearest buildings, which are drawn all ways, giving the town an upside-down appearance.

Right in His Line.

"How long," inquired the Eastern potentate, "has the young man been in the treadmill?"

"Two weeks, O conquering king. And he told me yesterday that he was having a fine time, although the scenery was getting monotonous."

"Two weeks? Great Allah! Who is he, anyway?"

"He claims he is an American bicycle scorcher; but what that might be I know not."—Puck.

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Knocked Out. Zeilin's big fraud has just been knocked out by the Supreme Court. The unfortunate merchants who were induced to buy the stuff find themselves with goods that cannot be sold, as the Supreme Court enjoined it. The United States Court knocked out the old proprietors of the article now called "Black Draught" as perpetrators of fraud.

Moral: Don't "tamper" with frauds!

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WEEKLY REVIEW OF TRADE.

Confidence Pervading Nearly All Branches of Business.

ENCOURAGING ACTIVITY IN IRON TRADE.

Business Failures Largely Reduced Compared With Previous Periods in Preceding Years—Cotton is Steady and in Good Export Demand.

Bradstreet's review of trade says: The year opens with a tone of quiet confidence pervading nearly all branches of business, with encouraging activity in the iron trade, a resumption of work by many thousands of industrial employes in the western glass industry, a largely reduced volume of business failures, as compared with corresponding periods in preceding years, and a general outlook certainly not inferior to any previous year at this time. Distributive trade has naturally been rather slow, pending stock taking and the return of salesmen to the field. While the volume of distributive business is no larger, industrial activity is a special feature unconfined to any one section, but specially notable in the west. Resumption of work after the holidays has been generally encouraging in that sect on.

Autumn weather in the northwest checks distribution. Sales of southern iron are large. Louisiana crop returns have been very satisfactory. Nine-tenths of Florida's orange crop was gathered before the freeze, and cotton is steady and in good export demand. Wool has opened up actively at some eastern markets and lower prices for cotton goods have stimulated some demand.

Naturally enough there is a slight gain in the number of failures this week over the last, the total aggregating 333, against 297 last week, but a heavy falling off from 1897, when the total was 488.

The holidays have exercised their expected effect on export trade in cereals. Wheat exports from the United States and Canada for the first week in January amount to 3,481,075 bushels, against 5,585,000 bushels last week, 3,108,000 bushels in this week a year ago and 3,471,000 in the corresponding week in 1896.

Corn exports also show a sensible diminution, amounting to 4,086,000 bushels last week, 4,819,000 bushels in this week a year ago and 2,626,000 in the corresponding week of 1896.

SWEEPING CHANGES

Made by the Republicans' Bill to form the Civil Service Law.

The bill for the reform of the civil service law, which has been drafted by a special committee of republican members of the house of representatives opposed to the system in its present form, makes sweeping changes in the present system, the most important of which is the establishment of a five years' tenure of office for those government employes who are brought within the terms of the bill. The measure limits the application of the civil service system to the departments in Washington and to such other localities where the total number of employes exceed twenty-five. All appointees are commissioned for five years, with the power of removal clearly regulated and vested in the appointing power. It is provided, however, that no removal shall be made for political or religious causes and in case of removal the causes shall be specified and the papers made a record of the office. All persons now in the public service are to terminate their service five years from the time that the act takes effect.

The measure recognizes the general eligibility of those persons for re-appointment. It includes in the civil service postal clerks and letter carriers in office having over ten employes, exclusive of subordinates. It limits the civil service regulations to clerks whose compensation is from $900 to $1,800 per annum and includes clerks, copyists, computers, and counters.

It is pointed out that the essential idea of the foregoing bill is to take out of the civil service all responsible and important offices, limiting it only to clerks in Washington and certain large cities and in these cases fixing a tenure of office of five years.

Theodore Durrant Hanged.

At San Quentin, Cal., Friday Theodore Durrant was executed in the state penitentiary. He ascended the scaffold calmly, following Father Lagan, who administered to his spiritual wants, he having been baptized into the Catholic faith earlier in the day. He made a brief speech in quiet tones, asserting his innocence and forgiving those who had persecuted him, mentioning especially the press of San Francisco. His last words were: "I am innocent." His death appeared painless. After the drop Durrant did not struggle. In fifteen minutes he was cut down, his neck being broken by the fall.

Mysterious Crime at Memphis.

A tragedy occurred in the outskirts of Memphis, Tenn., Friday afternoon in which Dr. Shep A. Rogers, professor of anatomy at the Memphis Medical college, ex-president of the board of health, and one of the most prominent physicians of the city, was shot by Mrs. Mary Sandbrink, a widow, and lies in a dying condition at St. Joseph's hospital. After shooting Dr. Rogers the woman turned the revolver to her breast and sent a bullet through her heart. The cause of the tragedy is veiled in deep mystery.

FEDERATION OF LABOR.

The Legislative Committee Make Their Claims Upon Congress.

The legislative committee of the American Federation of Labor, consisting of President Samuel Gompers, Secretary Frank Morrison and Mr. Andrew Furseth Byrne, of the seventeenth annual convention in Nashville in December last, has issued an address to the members of the Fifty-fifth congress. After referring to the introduction of modern machinery and new business methods and competition of convict labor, by which wage earners are forced into idleness and want, the committee say they feel that they have a right to bring their grievances to the attention of the law making power, and to expect "such definite measures of relief as seem most likely to improve our condition and preserve our independence and freedom as workers and citizens, and, therefore, urge your earnest consideration of and your best efforts in enacting into law the following measures:

First—An eight-hour work day on all public works. Such law to provide that all contracts or sub-contracts for materials furnished or work done must contain a proviso that eight hours shall be the maximum labor of any one individual in any one calendar day. Further, that it shall be the duty of officials vested with the power of signing such contract to withhold their signatures until such proviso is inserted therein.

Second—In order to stop the indiscriminate and dangerous use of the writ of injunction, we urge the adoption of senate bill 35.

Third—In order in some degree to lessen the competition of convict labor, we urge the adoption of a law to prohibit the transportation of prison made goods from one state into any other state or territory.

Fourth—We urge the adoption of a reasonable law to restrict undesirable immigration, such law to be based upon an educational qualification.

MAJOR MOSES P. HANDY DEAD.

A Gallant Confederate Soldier Passes Away—Sketch of His Life.

Major Moses P. Handy died Saturday at noon at the Summit Hotel, a winter resort of Augusta, Ga. On December 16 he went to that city to recuperate, having been broken down by over-work during the recent presidential campaign, and at Paris, where he represented the United States as a commissioner to the Paris exposition.

Maj. Moses P. Handy was born in Virginia, his father being a prominent Methodist clergyman. While under age he entered the confederate service and served with gallantry during the closing months of the war. He was employed by the New York Tribune as special correspondent during the Cuban troubles in 1871, and won distinction by his report of the Virginius massacre. Later he became managing editor of the Philadelphia Times, and subsequently editor of the Philadelphia Daily News. He was one of the founders and for many years the president of the Clover club of Philadelphia.

He moved to Chicago in 1893 to accept the position of chief of the bureau of publicity and promotion of the World's Columbian Exposition. At the close of the fair he went to New York and engaged in literary work for a year. He returned to Chicago as the editor of the Times-Herald in 1895, when the paper was purchased by Mr. H. H. Kohlsaat. Last year Major Handy was appointed by President McKinley as special commissioner to the Paris exposition, where he rendered valuable service.

BILL FOR A NEW TERRITORY.

The Consolidation of Oklahoma and Indian Territory is Proposed.

Delegate Callahan, of Oklahoma, introduced a bill in the house Thursday to attach the Indian Territory to the Territory of Oklahoma, and to put the two territories into one territory. The bill includes all the land of the five tribes of Indians and the Quapaw Indian tribes. The capital shall remain at Guthrie and the territorial officers of Oklahoma are to be the officers of the new territory. The land to be attached to Oklahoma is to be divided into six counties to be named Quapaw, Cherokee, Chickasaw, Choctaw, Creek and Seminole,

The act is not to be construed to affect the tribal relations or rights of any Indian tribe. The Oklahoma laws are to govern the new territory.

Organized by the Minority.

The republican members of the lower house of the Maryland legislature, after more than two months of "deals" and "promises," failed to agree upon a speaker for the house of delegates, and Friday twelve of their number, assisted by forty-one democrats, elected Mr. Louis Shaefer, of Baltimore city, to the position of presiding officer.

Want to Hear Bryan.

At Jackson, Miss., the house of representatives passed a concurrent resolution inviting Hon. William J. Bryan, of Nebraska, to address the present session of the legislature. There was only one dissenting vote.

Rumor Given Little Credence.

A special from Havana says: It has been rumored that Gen. Fitzhugh Lee, United States consul-general, will accompany Captain-General Blanco when the latter takes the field. It is further reported that Senor Estrada Palma, the delegate to the United States of the Cuban insurgents, will arrive here shortly and accompany the captain-general and General Lee to the field, and that a conference with Gen. Maximo Gomez will follow. The reports have caused a sensation in this city.

HAPPENINGS IN ALABAMA.

The Week's News Gathered and Told in a Brief Way.

ALABAMA AT FLORIDA FISHERY CONGRESS.

The End af a Noted Will Case—Courtland a "Dry" Town—Many Negroes Duped by "African Charley"—Interest in the Good Roads Convention.

Alabama at the Fishery Congress.

It is the wish of Gov. Bloxham, of Florida, that as many of the citizens of Alabama as possibly can, will attend the National Fishery Congress to assemble at Tampa, Fla., on the 19th day of January, 1898. The array of learned and gifted men who will participate in the deliberations of this important industrial congress are seldom assembled in any state or country. It is hoped that the citizens of the southern states will appreciate the aims and objects of this congress and will avail themselves of the educational features which it will promulgate, and point to sources for the enrichment and happiness of the people.

Prominent men, delegated from distant California, Oregon, New England, the western states and foreign countries, will attend this congress.

It is earnestly desired that Alabama send exhibits of marine products to place in the exposition building, which will be a feature of this congress.

Will Contest Ended.

The will of Captain Duncan Dew of Eutaw, who died last October leaving an estate worth a quarter of a million dollars, has been admitted to probate, a compromise having been reached between Joe J. Dew, second cousin of the deceased and sole legatee, and fourteen first cousins in Alabama, Georgia, North Carolina, Mississippi and Texas, contestants.

By the terms of the compromise the contestants get $90,000 in cash, the three Alabama contestants receiving $8,000 each and the remainder to be divided between the other eleven, while valuable farm lands in Bibb, Wilcox, Tuskaloosa, Blount and Greene counties, Alabama, lots in Birmingham and five farms in Texas go to Joe Dew.

The contestants charged forgery of the dead man's name to the will, and the trial was about to begin when the compromise was effected.

Negroes Swindled.

The negroes in and around Ramsey, Sumter county, have been buncoed out of about $800 by one of their race who operated an African colonization sell. The perpetrator of the swindle has successfully worked other part of the state. He is an ordinary, medium-sized negro, known as "African Charley." His scheme was to collect $2 from each negro who wanted to go to Africa. For that sum "African Charley" would promise his dupe free transportation to the dark continent and land and a home on his arrival. About 400 negroes were swindled. All of the negroes were told to meet at Gainesville on January 1 where boats would carry them to Mobile and thence to Africa. "African Charley" has disappeared and no boats have been reported at Gainesville for the emigrants.

Courtland a "Dry" Town.

The saloons of Courtland, numbering three, have been closed since the beginning of the new year, and from every indication it seems that it will be a dry town. The ladies recently took the matter in hand and are determined that no whisky shall be sold there. It has been learned that it is impossible for the saloonists to secure signatures of a sufficient number of the freeholders to obtain a license, the majority of them having signed the petition for the ladies against the sale of liquor.

Interest in the Good Roads' Convention.

Much interest is being manifested throughout the southern states in the Good Roads Convention to be held in Anniston in February. Nearly every line of railway in Alabama has signified its willingness to give free transportation to delegates to the convention, and it promises to be one of the largest attended and most enthusiastic meetings ever held in that city or state.

Impeding Navigation.

The United States government has caused the indictment of a number of saw mill owners above Mobile for impeding navigation in the Alabama river with their logs and rafts. It is charged that navigation on the river has been rendered absolutely dangerous of late by the careless rafting of timbers, and District Attorney Wickersham says that he intends to prosecute the cases with vigor.

Will Pay the Teachers.

The public school teachers of the state will be paid for the quarter ending January 1 before the end of next week. The money is already in the treasury. Governor Johnston and Treasurer Ellis have pushed tax collectors into remitting their collections about a month earlier than for some years past.

Birmingham's Finances.

The following is the annual report of the city treasurer of Birmingham: Receipts, $244,331.12; disbursements, $247,480.75; balance from 1896, $33,331.61; appropriated for bond interest, $18,910; available cash on hand, $11,371.97.

FIFTY-FIFTH CONGRESS.

Appropriations for the Civil Service Commission Taken Up.

The House—Wednesday.

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The House—Thursday.

The house today promptly resumed the debate on the civil service question, and Mr. Grosvenor, of Ohio, took the floor with an elaborate speech in opposition to the law. In opening, Mr. Grosvenor disclaimed any leadership of the anti-civil service reform and civil service reform forces, and any purpose to speak for any officer of the government—executive, legislative or judicial. He then proceeded to pay his respects to the National Civil Service Reform League, and to Carl Schurz, its president. His excoriation of the latter was the most scathing that has been heard on the floor of the house in months. He denounced unsparingly those who sought to read out of the republican party those who believed in the repeal of the civil service law. He argued that the people were overwhelmingly opposed to the law. Mr. Johnson (republican), of Indiana, one of the ardent defenders of the law, followed Mr. Grosvenor with an extended argument in support of the merit question. The entire day was taken up in the civil service debate. At 4:50 p. m. the house adjourned.

The Senate.

In the senate today Mr. Allen, of Nebraska, called up and the senate passed the bill providing for the holding of a congress of the representatives of different Indian tribes of the United States at Omaha in 1898, and appropriating $45,000 therefor. Some minor amendments to the bill were made.... A bill appropriating $175,000 for a public building at Fergus Falls, Minn., was passed.... The bill to protect the name and insignia of the Red Cross was passed. Mr. Gray, of Delaware, explained that Miss Clara Barton several years ago asked that the insignia of the Red Cross society be protected from those who would use it for commercial or perhaps fraudulent purposes. Under treaty entered into by a majority of the civilized nations of the world the sign of the Red Cross is known as an insignia of hospital corps or charitable organizations. Other nations had protected the insignia of the society, and the United States ought also to protect it.... After a brief executive session, during which some consuls were confirmed, the senate adjourned at 2 o'clock until tomorrow.

The House—Friday.

Before the debate on the civil service question was resumed in the house today, an ineffectual attempt was made to agree upon a time for the termination of the debate. Mr. Gillette, republican of Massachusetts, then took the floor in support of the law. Mr. Faris, republican of Indiana, followed Mr. Gillette and spoke against the civil service law. Mr. Cummings, democrat of New York, made a vigorous speech in favor of wiping out the civil service system, which he declared was doomed. He made a speech in defense of Tammany Hall and warmly defended it against its accusers. He maintained that the arguments of Mr. Grosvenor and Mr. Landis against the law were both in reality strong arraignments of the spoils system. Mr. Burton, of Ohio, followed in defense of the merit system. He inveighed against the insolence of office seeker and argued that this was not a government for the reward of party workers. Mr. Kerr, republican of Ohio, favored the modification of the law. At the close of his speech the house adjourned.

The Senate.

At the opening of the senate today the reply of the attorney general to the senate resolution calling upon members of the cabinet what, if any, changes should be made in the administration of the civil service laws, was read. The attorney general recommended that attorneys employed by the department of justice and deputy United States marshals ought to be excepted from the operation of the law.... Mr. Allen, of Nebraska, offered a resolution declaring that the United States should independently and without delay begin and continue the free coinage of silver at the ratio of 16 to 1; that such coinage should be supplemented by a safe and sound national paper money to be issued by the government without intervention of banks, the notes to be full legal tender and to be issued in an amount sufficient to meet the business demands of the country. Mr. Allen spoke briefly in favor of the adoption of the propositions set forth in his resolutions. At the conclusion of his remarks Mr. Teller arose. He said that he did not often give heed to publications concerning himself or the convictions of those who believed as he believed upon the financial or other questions, but he felt that a statement recently published was a gratuitous insult to those who believed upon the financial question as he believed. In brief, it charged that the recent reports to the effect that the secretary of the treasury had tendered his resignation were the result of a conspiracy to create trouble between the president and his secretary of treasury, and perhaps to disrupt the cabinet. Mr. Teller resented the charge with great emphasis. He also took occasion during the course of his remarks to denounce the republican party because it is the party of the gold standard, and that he hoped to see it go down in defeat in 1900.... Mr. Butler, of North Carolina, presented a joint resolution proposing an amendment to the constitution, providing for the election of federal judiciary by the people. The resolution went to the table to permit Mr. Butler to make a speech on it.... The senate then went into executive session, and at 3:15 adjourned until Monday.

The House—Saturday.

The civil service debate was continued in the house today until 2 o'clock. Mr. Corliss, republican, of Maine, was the first speaker, who favored a radical modification of the law. He was followed by Messrs. Hepburn, of Iowa, and Clark, of New Hampshire, who also attacked the service. The remainder of the session, under a special order, was devoted to eulogizing the memory of the late Representative Wright, of Massachusetts. Saturday, January 15, was set aside for paying tribute to the late Representative Milliken, of Maine.

There was no session of the senate today.

Texas Asked to Help Cuba.

Governor Culberson has received a telegram from New York from the central Cuban relief committee, appointed by President McKinley, asking for immediate assistance in the way of clothing, money, food, etc. In compliance with the request he promptly issued an appeal to the people of Texas, asking them to give the assistance asked for.

Samuel T. Blyer, representing a Chicago company, is in Atlanta making arrangements for building a $100,000 plant for manufacturing smoke-consuming furnaces.

Over 20,000,000 of packets of seeds were distributed by the United States Government last year. In ten years over a million dollars were expended for this free seed distribution.

WHAT IS MONEY?

THE TERM AS DEFINED BY MANY AUTHORITIES.

The Reader Will Readily Note the Points Wherein the Following Eminent Men Differ from Wall Street's Hack Writers.

"Money is the medium of exchange. Whatever performs this function, does the work, is money, no matter what it is made of."—Prof. Walker in Political Economy.

"Money is simply employed for bartering, as a ship for carrying. Its action is similar to a cart's, it fetches for its owner the things he is in want of."—Prof. Jevons.

"The intrinsic value of money was the idea in the days of crude barbarism. The simplest and most perfect form of money is that which presents nothing but transferable debt, such as paper. It is only when states have reached a high degree of civilization that they adopt this perfect form of money."—Rees' Encyclopedia.

"Whatever power there is over the currency is vested in congress. If the power to declare what is money is not in congress it is annihilated. * * * We repeat, money is not a substance, but an impression of legal authority, a printed legal decree.—12 Wallace, 519, United States Supreme court.

"An article is determined to be money by reason of the performance by it of certain functions without regard to its form or substance."—Appleton's Encyclopedia.

"Metallic money, while acting as coin, is identical with paper money in respect to its being destitute of intrinsic value."—North British Review.

"Money is a tool of exchange and nothing more. It is not a measure of value, nor a standard of value, nor a representative of property. It transfers property conveniently from one party to another; as a wagon hauls goods from one place to another."—Prof. Price.

"Moneys are of great varieties. The palpable characteristic which distinguishes money from the numerous subjects that resemble it, but which are not money, is its mark of authority, signifying that it is issued, circulated and made payable for debts, services, fines, taxes and commodities by virtue of law."—Alex Delmar in Science of Money.

"Money is a value created by law (a statutor law). The value of metallic money is created by law."—Henry Cornuschi.

"The legislation assumes that in contemplation of law, money of every species has the value which the law fixes on it; that congress has the constitutional power to say that ten penny-weights of silver shall henceforth be the dollar and do the office heretofore done by sixteen penny-weights, four and one-half grains."—Attorney General U. S. (12 Wallace, U. S. Supreme court report, page 519.)

NORMAN RAPALEE'S NUBBINS.

If this is prosperity, save us from adversity.

You can't down the trusts by voting as they do.

Human rights are more sacred than property rights.

A national debt is a blessing to the national bankers.

This is a government by the people—the rich people.

The more money there is, the more happiness we have.

These are prosperous times for the men who have money.

We are taking the "gold cure" now. How do you like it?

People are still anxiously looking for that promised prosperity.

Government ownership of railroads would let the water out.

More money! That is a plank upon which every man can stand.

No, bub, a public office is not a public trust. It is a private snap.

That wave of prosperity must be the private property of the bankers.

You can't whine away an evil. Stiffen your backbone and vote it away.

What we need most is honest statesmen, and then we'll have honest dollars.

Notice to workingmen out of employment—get off the earth or be shoved off.

"Times are picking up." We notice that tramps are becoming more numerous.

A silver dollar may not be worth but 40 cents, but it will buy five bushels of corn.

Making "honest" dollars consists in taking the debtor's property and conveying it to the creditor.

While the bankers continue to control the currency they will grow richer and the people poorer.

The farmer who sells five bushels of corn for one dollar has the satisfaction of knowing that the dollar is "good."

Sound Business Proposition.

If the American people would only reflect upon the outrageous and audacious demands of the banking clique, they would at once see the danger which surrounds the finances of the country. These bankers are bitterly opposed to paternalism, yet they boldly demand that the government give them, without cost, a thousand millions to carry on their business. When the farmers suggested that the government loan money on their land at 2 per cent, they were called hayseeds and jays by the hireling gold press. The last demand of the bankers is called a "sound business proposition." Will some one tell us why the farmers' suggestion is not a better "sound business proposition?"—Silver Knight-Watchman.

THOUGHTS OF THINKERS.

Not on them the poor rely,
Not to them looks liberty,
Who with frowning falsehood cower
To the wrong, when clothed in power.
—Whittier.

You will never be worthy of happiness or escape wage-slavery while your hatred of capitalists proceeds from your mad wish to be capitalists in their stead.—Zola.

Leaving politics to politicians, whether in national or municipal affairs, is as fatal to a country as leaving the defense of its territory to mercinaries.—Joseph Chamberlain.

If men want to abolish crime, let them provide their fellows with decent surroundings.—Ben Tillett.

What pastor in any great city can put his hand on the causes of sins, and not say that fully one-half of these sins come from frightful poverty or from an overabundance of wealth—or from efforts to escape the one or acquire the other?—John Brisbane Walker.

We cannot get along without capital and capitalists. On the contrary, we ought to have more of the latter. In fact there ought to be at least 69,999,999 capitalists out of 70,000,000 people in this country instead of only so many thousands.—W. J. Steigleder in Chicago Tribune.

The poverty of the world is a gruesome fact. No other phase of our life seems to me so sad. Every tenth child dying in New York City is buried at the public expense. In every city of the world it is much the same. Each contains caravans of people, not especially dissipated, indolent or thriftless, who are very poor, never free from fear of want, doomed for life to the alternative of hard labor or starvation, as thoroughly cut off from all means of culture, as completely precluded from rational living, as were the helots of old Sparta.—President Andrews, of Brown University.

Partisan Census Figures.

The taking of the next census will shortly necessitate the appointment by the President of a force of experts to make arrangements for the work. It will cost fully $10,000,000 to take the census, which will proceed, moreover, contemporaneously with a presidential campaign. It is greatly to be feared that the work will be very partisan. If we ever get a genuine census the results will amaze the country. Heretofore the complaint has been that the very subjects upon which information has been most desired have been neglected. For example, the distribution of wealth in this country has been a matter of much speculation, but all who look into this subject agree that the census is taken in such a way that no particulars of value can be obtained through the medium of the reports. The Republicans always take a census from the point of view of the tariff. The experts on census subjects have discovered that we get figures of no moment, and President McKinley has placed the patronage of the preliminary committee entirely at the disposal of General Grosvenor of Ohio. This man is quite destitute of the qualities that go to make the statistician, for all he has ever done in the way of figuring is to calculate the size of Republican majorities. The Populists in Congress ought to take hold of this subject.

Some Fashion Notes.

An observing young man of Rochester, N. Y., has contributed the following comments upon fashions of the day:

It is still fashionable for a great many people to be hunting for employment.

It is still stylish in England to employ women to pull canal boats; they are much cheaper than mules.

Some women in this city are so poor that they have adopted the epicurian fashion of eating refuse out of garbage barrels. We have seen them.

It is still fashionable for labor unions to be led by labor fakirs who feather their own nests out of the funds; and who tell the members to keep out of politics.

It will be very stylish at the next election, like many previous ones, for workingmen to vote for what they don't want, and get it.

It is getting more and more fashionable to make statistics show just what the capitalists want the working class to believe. They like the working class to enjoy imaginary prosperity while they steal the reality.

Two Great Political Weapons.

The vast volume of legislation is at present the main obstacle in the way of liberty. Even to know what laws are passed in one legislature would occupy more than all a man's leisure time. Nearly all these laws are in somebody's special interest and as no one can have a special privilege except at the expense of the rest, nearly every such act has some advocates more or less informed and active.

That 600 to 800 laws, nevertheless, go through the New York legislature each year is due to the improbability and futility of opposition by the many who have a small interest in each matter, to the few who have a great interest in it.

By putting a weapon in the hands of the leaders of the inert majority, direct legislation, especially the referendum, would make opposition to private laws easy and effective. Combined with proportional representation, it seems to me, it would reduce legislation to the minimum, which is necessary for the public interest.—Bolton Hall in New Time.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR CIRCUIT CLERK.

The friends of John P. Pearson announce him as a candidate for Circuit Clerk, subject to the action of the People's Party primary, to be held on 19th of March, 1898.

The friends of R. T. Johnson announce him as a candidate for Circuit Clerk, subject to the action of the People's Party primary, to be held on the 19th of March, 1898.

Whats the matter with Hannah now?

Greensboro has a Japanese cotton buyer.

The Advertiser says that protests from all over the state are being received in that city against the delay in sending out the school monies due to teachers.

Geo. W. Pritchard who shot and killed Patterson in a church in Montgomery last summer, was tried last week and sentenced to the penitentiary for life.

The boiler makers in the Southern Railway shops in Birmingham are out on a strike, on account of the alledged employment of two non-union boiler makers.

Last Saturday, January 8th, was the 82nd anniversary of the battle of New Orleans, and was observed with appropriate ceremonies in many of the cities in the United States.

The Governor of the Great State of Georgia is in Mexico, attending bull fights on Sunday. The dispatches say that he was delighted with the cruel and barbarous sport. Georgia would not loose much if he was to decide to remain in Mexico.

Hon. J. Hoge Tyler, who became the Governor of Virginia January 1st, is a farmer, and the first of that calling to fill the guberna orial chair of that state in forty years. Lawyers practically monopolized the office.

The preliminary trial of Thomas Collins for the killing of J. L. Howell at Bessemer, was concluded last Thursday night, and he was committed to jail without bail. The killing was a cold-bloded, cowardly murder, and the decision of the Justice trying the case is universally approved.

The officials of the B. & A. railroad have provided a safe and convenient transfer across the bridge over the Coosa river, lately condemned by the Railroad Commissioners, until such a time as the company can comply with the recommendations of Commission. They claim that all danger is now removed.

Government boats have been detailed to convey ex-President Cleveland to his favorits hunting grounds and await his pleasure there—by what authority, no man knoweth. Grover is getting to be a sort of trans-Atlantic Prince of Wales, and may yet demand a yearly income to be paid by the people.—Living Truth.

The gold standard press in this State are charging that Gov. Johnston and his friends are interesting themselves in bringing out candidates in the even numbered senatorial districts, who are favorable to Gov. Johnston in his candidacy for Senator two years hence. Well, what of that? Would not any other sensible man do the same?

Really, now, the way the gold organs in Georgia are coming out for a free coinage democratic governor for Georgia is refreshing. We'll have to give the returning prodigals a barbecue!—Constitution.

It is different over here brother. The other fellows will give the barbecue in Alabama. Grandma has been looking after her prodigals, and if we read the signs correctly, she will have to give the "returning prodigals" a barbecue some time in April or May.

GOVERNMENT IN CHARCE.

The people who trade at Birmingham will rejoice to learn that the Federal Government has, at the request of Gov. Johnston and Mayor Evans, taken charge of the small pox situation in that city, and will at once, proceed to stamp out the disease.

Assistant Surgeon, D. U. McGruder, of the Marine Hospital Service, is now in Birmingham, and will soon be joined by thirty government physicians and stewards. The city of Birmingham is to furnish the hospital equipments and the government will bare the balance of the expense.

All sorts of reports have, for months, been in circulation about the small-pox in Birmingham, and there is no doubt about the trade of that city being seriously injured by the reports. The country people have been afraid to go there.

It seems, from the best information we can get, the patients received at the hospital are mostly from the mining towns adjacent to Birmingham, and the disease is confined almost exclusively to the negroes, but the scare has had the effect to keep a good many people from the city. Gov. Johnston, Mayor Evans and Doctor Sanders are to be congratulated on their success in securing the aid of the government in stamping out the disease.

THE FIGHT OPENS.

The first two guns along the political skirmish line in Shelby are fired this week by John P. Pearson in his announcement for Clerk, and our Bridgeton correspondent in nominating A. P. Longshore for Probate Judge.

Next week the firing will be continued all along the line, and in a few weeks the fight will be opened in earnest. The woods are full of would-be candidates, who have been watching and waiting for their "friends" to announce them for office. Don't be backward gentlemen. Come out and let your wants be known. Don't wait to be pulled out by your "friends," but just walk right up to the Advocate office and plank down your five dollars and the Advocate will take pleasure in telling its two thousand readers that you want the office, and want it bad. Don't wait till all the voters have pledged themselves to somebody else, but step into line and take an equal start with the others.

As Senator Stewart Sees It.

Senator Stewart, of Nevada, was in Denver Monday on his way to Washington. "The Rothschilds syndicate," said he, "is about to divide China among the gold-standard nations of Europe. All the nations of Asia are to be reduced to financial slavery. The next movement will be to divide South America. What will then become of the free institutions of our own country? What then can intervene to support the Monroe doctrine? The money syndicate, which began its work with the downfall of Napoleon, proposes to reduce the world to slavery."

During this month we propose to revise our subscription book. After the first of February if your paper fails to come and you are behind, you will know why it has been stopped, and the account placed in the hands of an officer for collection. We dislike very much to part with any of our subscribers, but we are compelled to adopt this rule in self defense. While most of the Advocate subscribers have paid their subscription, there are a few who have been dead-beating the paper for years—to wh omwe have no apologies to make for cutting them off.

The people who are blowing so lustily about how easy Joe Johnston can be elected governor next August, are not the fellows upon whom he has to depend. It is that large class who are sawing wood and saying nothing. That is the citizen whose influence and vote are the terrors that Jodie should fear. They are very numerous and as silent as they are determined.—Alabama Monitor.

Chairman Knox, of the Democratic State Executive Committee, has called his committee to meet in Montgomery on the 22nd of February. It is thought the committee will call their convention to nominate State officers some time in April.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The Populist County Executive Committee met in the grand jury room at the court house on Saturday, January 8, at 1 p. m. The committee was called to order by the chairman, who explained the object of the meeting.

It was moved and carried that a primary election be held Saturday, March 19th, 1898, for the purpose of nominating candidates for office, and electing delegates to the State, Congressional, Judicial and Chancery conventions, and to elect an Executive Committee for each beat for the next two years.

It was moved and carried that the executive of each beat hold, or have held, the day appointed, and that one of the committee take charge of the vote and bring to Columbiana on Saturday, March 26th, and turn over to the County Executive Committee to be counted.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That all citizens who are qualified voters, are invited to participate in the primary election on the 19th of March 1898, who have heretofore affiliated with the people's party, or who having belonged to some other party, signifies his intention of joining the people's party, and pledges himself to support the ticket nominated.

On motion the committee then adjourned to 26th day of March, unless sooner called together by the chairman.

JOHN W PITTS, Chairman.
J. F. MCGRAW, Secretary.

NEW REVENUE CODE.

City Ordinance Fixing the Licenses for the New Year.

At a meeting of the city council on January 5th, the following ordinance was adopted fixing the license taxes for the present year:

AN ORDINANCE.

Be it ordained by the Mayor and Council of the city of Columbiana, That the following shall be the rate of license to be paid by any person, firm or corporation engaged in business in the town of Columbiana for the year 1898, and that the same may be paid semi-annually, one-half in each installment:

Lawyers,	$10.00
Physicians,	10.00
Merchants and druggists (one or both,)	10.00
Merchants and bruggists (one or both with stock under $500 00,)	
Dentists,	
Foot-peddlers,	
Pedddlers in one-horse vehicle,	
Peddlers in two-horse vehicles,	
Each entertainment when admission is charged,	
Circus or show in tent,	
Hotels or boarding houses,	
Jewelers, watch repairers and photographers (one or both,)	
Barbers,	
Cotton gins,	
Grist mills,	
Saw mills,	
Butcher shops,	
Wagon with fresh meats before 10 a. m. and after 3 p. m.,	
Bankers,	
Livery stable, including dray line,	
Public dray line,	
Photographers,	
Life and fire insurance companies.	
Vendors of goods at public out-cry,	
Blacksmith shop,	
Sewing machine company or its agent,	5.00
Newspapers,	5.00
Vendors of patent rights	5.00
Railroad freight or ticket office,	10.00
Pool tables one-half of State license.	

Approved January 5, 1898.

A. P. LONGSHORE, Mayor.
C. W. O'HARA, Clerk,

President T. G. Bush, of the Clifton Iron company, announces that the new furnaces of that company, will go into blast early in February.

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July 21, 1y.

COMMISSIONER'S Semi-Annual Report.

Receipts and Disbursements of the Treasurer for Six Months Ending January 1, 1898.

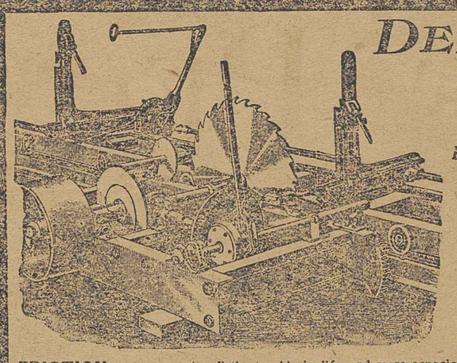
RECEIPTS:

Am't on hand July 1, 1897,	$2,282 49
Am't from John H. Robertson, tax collector,	3,183 51
Am't from D. R. McMillan, Judge Probate, redemption of land,	25 09
Am't from D. R. McMillan, license money for county,	12 18
Am't from Wm. R. A. Milner, judges fees,	68 72
Am't from Horace Hammond agt, rent county water works,	11 75
Total.	$5,583 74

DISBURSEMENTS:

Postage for county officials,	$ 38 70
Keeping Elias Armstrong, pauper, 7 months, L. Q. Gould,	63 00
Damage for land taken for public roads, S. J. Hartsfield,	5 00
Making land book, John S. Pitts,	100 00
Expenses of poor house, N. and Mrs. F. A. Thomas,	297 53
Erroneous land sales	2 49
Expenses Winter Posey to asylum, T. L. Seale,	20 80
Expenses of commissioners court,	248 30
Jury commission,	63 00
Drayage etc., D. R. McMillan Judge Probate,	1 15
Stationery for county,	75 45
Lumber and nails for county	167 53
Pension examiner, L. N. Roy	11 10
Am't over-paid county, John H. Robertson tax collector	268 18
Petit jury, Aug. term county court,	350 90
Bailiff's county court, Aug. and November terms,	24 00
Petit jury circuit court, fall term,	962 85
Grand jury, fall term,	350 95
Bailiff's circuit court, fall term,	170 00
Special jury circuit court, fall term 1897,	120 20
Petit jury county court, fall term 1897,	328 85
Attendance on county court E. F. Vest, sheriff,	22 00
Expense and repair on court house and jail, E. F. Vest, sheriff,	5 95
7 days services on special term circuit court, E. F. Vest sheriff,	14 00
Holding county court, E. F. Vest sheriff,	14 95
6 months road services, E. F. Vest sheriff,	45 00
6 months ex-officio services, E. F. Vest sheriff,	125 00
Expenses Solomon Brown to insane hospital,	9 70
Md'se court house and jail, Lester, Mason & Co.,	68 81
Expense of pauper to poor house,	4 65
Registering 32 electors, C. B. West,	96
Repairing on Waxahatchie and Yellow Leaf creek bridges,	46 00
Fees in defending suit against county, Longshore & Beavers,	15 00
Expenses of pauper from poor house, Mrs. Foster,	8 00
Drugs for poor house, J. E. Seale and Hall Drug Co.,	28 35
Repairing court house, Gat Harkins,	4 00
Cleaning court house, Jake Hankins,	3 50
Fee defending suit for county, Browne & Leeper,	15 00
Attending small-pox cases, Dr. A. T. Rowe,	25 00
Coffin for pauper, Sandy Clark,	2 00
Publishing notice to tax-payers, Advocate Pub. Co.,	2 00
Merchandise, Johnston & Co.,	82
Services at court house, Jake Hankins,	1 00
Work on court house well, J. H. Hammond,	14 00
Md'se for small-pox patients, J. H. Hammond	2 51
Ex-Officio services, clerk circuit and county courts, Wm. R. A. Milner,	200 00
Writing minuets circuit court, Wm. R. A. Milner,	50 00
Feeding and lodging juries in Seals case, A. H. Weaver,	5 00
Services in small-pox cases, Dr. W. S. DuBose,	5 00
Publishing tax collectors and assessors notices, Advocate and Chronicle,	5 00
Publishing notices to tax payers, Chronicle,	15 00
Permanent easement for water works system, Sarah A. Hall,	10 00
Stationery and 3 subscriptions to Chronicle, F. W. Gist,	10 00
County court fees, D. R. McMillan, Judge Probate,	5 00
Half years road services, D. R. McMillan, judge probate,	5 00
Six months ex-officio services, D. R. McMillan, judge probate,	10 00
Tax abstract, D. R. McMillan, judge probate,	10 00
Ditching on Blue Spring road E. L. Ray,	5 00
Court cost, Hall vs. County,	
Three subscriptions, Shelby Sentinel,	
Hire county convicts, Wm. R. A. Milner, agent,	5 00
Night watchman, 4 months, J. W. Hester,	10 00
Medical services at jail, Dr. H. I. Williams,	5 00
Inspector August election '96, John Davidson,	
Fees of clerk and sheriff, Fi. Fa. Wm. R. A. Milner and H. W. Nelson,	15 00
Clothing and burial of two paupers, S. A. Latham & Co	25 00
Fee as witness and examining Boyd, Dr. A. B. Claughton,	2 00
Letter note heads and envelopes for Supt. of Education, Rogers Stationery Co.	2 00
Expenses Jas. B. West to asylum, W. S. Cary,	82
Allowance of Commissioners court 4 months, Mrs. Mary Sanders,	1 00
Medical services at poor house, Dr. J. H. Williams,	14 00
A'mt erroneously paid county privelege tax, Saginaw Lumber company,	25 70
Treasurer's commission on $5,242.04	14 05
	203 60
Total expenditures	$5,445 04
Balance in treasury	138 10

J. D. DYKES,
D. C. DAVIS,
W. C. POWERS,
PLEASANT SHAW,
Commissioners.



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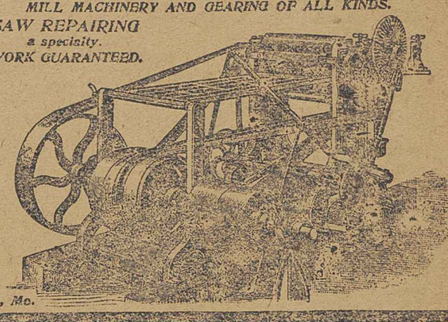

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SOUTHERN RAILWAY

Condensed Schedule in Effect December 5, 1897.

No. *20	No. *24	STATIONS.	No. *19	No. *15
.....	3.25pm	lv...Selma...ar	11.28am	.....
.....	5.14pm	...Montevallo...	9.25am	.....
.....	7.5pm	ar...Birm'ham...lv	6.45am	.....
No. *20	No. *24	STATIONS.	No. *19	No. *15
4.20am	5.45am	lv...Akron...ar	6.45pm	6.45pm
5.5 am	9.1 am	...Greensboro...	5.25pm	5.3 pm
7.25am	7.45am	...Marion...	3.3 pm	1.30pm
8.30am	8.39am	...Marion Jct...	2.35pm	3.1 pm
9.50am	9.55am	ar...Selma...lv	1.5pm	3.00pm
No. *20	No. *16	STATIONS.	No. *15	No. *19
.....	7.1pm	lv...New Orl's...ar	8.30am	.....
.....	5.30am	lv...Meridian...ar	9.50pm	.....
.....	6.25am	...York...	8.40pm	.....
.....	7.32am	...Demopolis...	7.45pm	.....
.....	8.13am	ar...Union'n...lv	7.01pm	.....
.....	8.46am	...Marion Jct...	6.11pm	.....
.....	9.27am	ar...Selma...lv	5.32pm	.....
3.25pm	9.35am	lv...Selma...ar	5.35pm	11.28am
5.11pm	11.26am	...Montevallo...	3.38pm	9.25am
.....	11.46am	...Calera...	3..7pm	.....
.....	12.01pm	...Columbiana...	3.05pm	.....
.....	12.36pm	...Chillegsburg...	2.35pm	.....
.....	1.32pm	...Talladega...	1.39pm	.....
.....	2.15pm	...Oxford...	1.19pm	.....
.....	2.29pm	...Anniston...	1.04pm	.....
.....	2.52pm	...Jacksonville...	12.41pm	.....
.....	3.16pm	...Piedmont...	12.1 pm	.....
.....	4.07pm	...Cave Springs...	11.24am	.....
.....	4.45pm	...Rome...	10.45am	.....
.....	10.40pm	ar...Atlanta...lv	7.50am	.....

*2	*38	*36	STATIONS.	*5	*37	*35
am	am	pm	lv...Birm'ham...ar	am 11.45	pm 10.00	pm .....
....	7.12	5.28	...Pell City...	10.25	8.45	.....
....	8.10	6.30	...Anniston...	9.15	7.32	.....
....	8.19	6.53	...Oxford...	9.07	7.32	.....
....	8.55	7.37	...Heflin...	8.32	7.01	.....
....	9.05	7.43	...Edwardsville...	8.18	6.50	.....
....	9.13	7.53	...Fruithurst...	8.06	6.40	.....
5.50	9.30	8.15	...Tallapoosa...	7.44	6.23	7.55
7.13	10.37	9.24	...Douglasville...	6.30	5.16	6.29
7.25	10.40	9.35	...Lithia Springs...	6.20	5.05	6.15
8.20	11.30	10.30	ar...Atlanta...lv	5.30	4.15	5.15
am	am	pm		am	pm	pm

STATIONS.	No. *12	No. *16
Lv Rome	.....	4.55pm
Lv Knoxville	8.25am	9.50pm
Ar Morristown	9.50am	10.55pm
Ar Hot Springs	11.46am	12.23am
Ar Asheville	1.15pm	1.30am
Ar Salisbury	6.40pm	6.00am
Ar Greensboro	6.52pm	8.05am
Ar Raleigh	7.40am	11.45am
Ar Norfolk	.....	5.25pm
Ar Washington	6.42am	9.25pm
Ar New York	12.43pm	6.23am

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Ar Chattanooga	7.30pm
Ar Cincinnati	7.20am
Ar Louisville	7.27am

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STATIONS.	No. 38	No. 36
Lv Atlanta	12.0pm	11.50pm
Ar Charlotte	8.2pm	9.00am
Ar Danville	12.0am	1.40pm
Ar Lynchburg	1.55am	3.35pm
Ar Charlottesville	3.3 am	5.15pm
Ar Washington	6.42am	9.2pm
Ar Baltimore	8.0 am	11.5pm
Ar Philadelphia	10.15am	2.55am
Ar New York	12.43pm	5.23am

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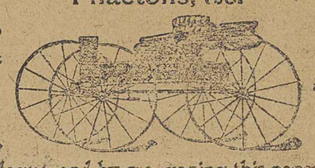

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Notice No. 19342.

Notice for Publication.

Land Office at Montgomery, Ala. } November 29, 1897. }

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court, at Columbiana, Ala., on January 26th, 1898, viz: John F. McDonald, Homestead entry, No. 25,392, for the E½ of NE¼, section 24, township 20 south of range 1 west.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Joseph M. Crenshaw, William L. Bentley, Monroe Vick, Allen A. Ray, all of Lewis, Ala.

ROBERT BARBER, Register.

Notice No. 19355.

Notice for Publication.

Land Office at Montgomery, Ala., } December 1, 1897. }

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court at Columbiana, Ala., on January 13, 1898, viz; Ambros J. Davis, Homestead entry No. 27,150, for the north half of north west quarter, north west quarter of north east quarter, Sec. 22, Tp. 20 south range 2 west.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Joseph E. Gibson, Reuben T. Horton, Thomas A. Williams, all of Pelham, Ala., William C. Blackerby, of Columbiana, Ala.

ROBERT BARBER, Register.

Notice No. 19366.

Notice for Publication.

Land Office at Montgomery, Ala., } December 7, 1897. }

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court at Columbiana, Ala., on January 20th 1898, viz: James S. Cardin, Homestead entry No. 24,047, for the E½ of NW¼, Sec. 34, Tp. 24 north of range 15 east.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: James D. Whiten, John M. Bates, William M. Connell, James M. Connell, all of Shelby, Ala.

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Probate Notice.

State of Alabama, } Probate
Shelby County. } Court.

Estate of William Booth, deceased. Letters of Administration on the Estate of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 15th day of October 1897, by the Hon. D. R. McMillan, Judge of the Probate Court of Shelby County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate, are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law, or the same will be barred.

E. F. VEST,
Administrator.

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Read "For Rent" ad in todays issue.

Two bars of soap for 6 cents, at J. H. Hammond.

H. B. Nabors, of beat 7, was in the city Tuesday.

Drummers were thick on our streets last week.

George Peter, of Maylene, was in the city yesterday.

M. S. Wilson, of Longview, was in the city Saturday.

John Millstead, of Wilsonville, was in the city Monday.

Max Boxer, of Shelby, was in the city a short while yesterday.

Miss Ella Tallant is the guest of relatives in Calera this week.

O. O. Bird, of Shelby, spent Sunday in the city with relatives.

Rev. P. L. Abernathy, of Montevallo, was in the city Tuesday.

Look out for a big "ad" from the Hall Drug company next week.

Wash Adams, of Montevallo, was in the city several days this week.

Born, To Mr. and Mrs. John Strickland on the 10th inst., a son.

The Christian Endeavor meets every Sunday evening at 3 o'clock.

Hon. A. P. Longshore is attending court at Edwardsville this week.

Oliver Evans arrived from Texas Monday. His friends were glad to see him.

W. C. Tinney and wife, of Centerville, are visiting relatives and friends in the city.

John S. Leeper returned Tuesday from a ten days visit to Birmingham and Bessemer.

John H. Robertson, our officient tax collector, spent Monday on his farm near Wilsonville.

Mrs. M. F. Pitts returned Saturday from a pleasant visit to relatives in Childersburg.

Mrs. William Tinney, of Wilsonville, visited relatives in the city several days this week.

Died, near Shelby Springs, on the 10th inst., Clifton Blair, son of Mr. Paul Blair, aged 15 years.

W. M. Armstrong, F. M. McEwen and George Nivens, of beat 9, were in the city Saturday.

The family of W. B. Greek have moved to the Millstead residence, recently vacated by T. J. Evans.

Miss Kate Huyett, after spending the holidays at home, returned to her school at Maylene last Saturday.

Messrs. C. L. Meroney, E. S. Lyman, W. S. Cary, C. B. West and Chas. West, of Montevallo, were in the city Tuesday.

Miss Mattie Hand, who has been the guest of Mrs. B. L. Moore for several days, returned to her home at Jemison Tuesday.

A wreck on the Southern this side of Selma last Saturday, caused the north bound mail train to be about three hours late.

Miss Lucy Smith, who is teaching school at Maylene, arrived home yesterday, having been notifi of the illness of her mother.

J. F. McGraw, I. C. Shrader and M. M. Robertson, of beat 10, attended the meeting of the executive committee last Saturday.

Died, near this city on the morning of the 8th inst., Mrs. LaFayette Johnson, mother of Mrs. George Barnett, aged about sixty years.

The biggist package and the largest box of paper and envelopes for only 10 cents.

J. H. Hammond.

J. W. Jarrett, an all around populist from Sterrett, was in the city Saturday in attendance upon the meeting of the populist Executive Committee.

Prof. W. H. K. Smith, principal of the High School at Union Springs, arrived in the city at 2 a. m. yesterday, and is now at the bed side of his sick mother.

Thos. J. Merrett ran down from Harpersville on his bike Monday morning to see how we were all getting along. He says he made the run from Harpersville, 18 miles, in one hour and forty minutes, which is pretty good, considering the roads.

William H. O'Connor.

William H. O'Connor, a son of Patrick O'Connor and Luquincy Nelson, of New Orleans, aged twenty years, passed away January 2, after only one days illness, acute pneumonia, following a cold. He bade the family and all his friends good bye, and said he was going to a brighter home than this. While the angel of death came and claimed my dear brother, I know it is God's will, and he doeth all things for the best. He has just exchanged this home for an eternal one. May the chain that has been broken be united again in Heaven, is the wish of his sister.

MRS. S. A. HALL.

Stricken With Paralysis.

Our city was shocked Monday p. m., by the announcement that Mrs H. A. Smith had been stricken with paralysis. While attending to her domestic duties, Mrs. Smith was suddenly stricken and fell to the floor, so near the fire place that one of her hands was blistered before assistance could reach her. Her entire left side is paralized, and she is in a critical condition. Her children, Prof W. H. K Smith, of Union Springs, and Miss Lucy Smith, of Maylene, were notified by wire of the condition of their mother, and both hastened at once to her bedside, reaching the city yesterday a. m.

Admitted to Bail.

Some time in June last, Mr. J. B. West shot and killed Frank Cunningham, colored, at Montevallo. He was declared insane and sent to the asylum at Tuscaloosa. About two weeks ago he was discharged from the asylum as cured, and he returned to his home at Montevallo. In the meantime the grand jury, at the Fall term of the Circuit court, returned a true bill against him for murder. On Tuesday Mr. West was brought before Judge McMillan on a writ of habeas corpus. After examining a few witnesses, the court allowed the defendant bail in the sum of fifteen hundred dollars, which was promptly given.

Died.

O'Connor—On Sunday, Jan. 2, 1898, at 11:20 p. m., William Henry O'Connor, third son of Patrick O'Connor and Luquincy Nelson, aged 20 years, 7 months and 12 days, a native of this city.—New Orleans Times Democrat.

Mr. O'Connor was a grand-son of Mrs. F. A. Nelson, a n phew of Mrs. Mary E. Parker and a brother of Mrs. E. D. Hall of this city. The family have a number of relatives and friends in this section who will regret to hear the sad news of his death.

Jasper Nabors, now confined in jail, charged with killing of A. B. Payne at Longview about two years ago, was taken before Judge McMillan of the county court last Thursday on a writ of habeas corpus, but the case was continued on account of the absence of several witnesses. The case will be called again today. J. L. Peters will represent the state and F. S. Ferguson, of Birmingham and W. T. Johnson the defense.

The announcement of John P. Pearson appears in another column. He announces subject to the action of People's Party primary. Mr. Pearson is too well known to the voters of Shelby to require any commendation from us. If elected—which he will be, if nominated—he will serve the people to the best of his ability.

The irrepressible H. Fox, is opening a new stock of goods in the store recently vacated by J. M. Spencer, under the Masonic Hall. Mr. Fox comes to Columbiana to sell goods, and our readers may look for some great bargains. Watch the advertising columns of the Advocate for his prices.

Just as we go to press, we have received the announcement of Mr. R. T. Johnson, as a candidate for Circuit Clerk. Rube is a hustler, and will make it lively in the county from now till the 19th of March. He is one of the pioneer reformers and will make a faithful officer if elected.

The first quarterly meeting for this, Columbiana circuit M. E. church South, will be held with the church in this city next Saturday and Sunday. Presiding Elder, Dr. H. S. Hosmer will preside and preach on Sunday.

Mrs. W. W. Walls and family left yesterday for Birmingham, where they will reside in the future. Mrs. Walls was born and raised in our city, and has a host of friends here who regret to see her leave.

I want 500 bushels of Clay and Speckled Peas, for which I will pay the highest market price in groceries, at rock bottom figures.

J. H. Hammond.

SYNOPSIS

Of Orders Passed by Commissioners Court.

That H. B. Nabors be allowed $16.50 to aid in support of Mrs. Lucinda Nabors.

That Elizabeth Simpson be allowed $5.00 per month to aid in her support.

Application to open a new road from Fremont Finchs to the Chilton county line received and filed, and viewers appointed to mark out and locate the best route.

J. E. Dykes appointed to look after the n cessity for a bridge over Wolf creek, and report to the next term of the court.

On application of citizens, the road from Wilsonville to McGowens ferry was changed, and J. H. Pennington was appointed an overseer to make said change.

On application of citizens of beat 18, a third grade road was established from Sandy Ridge church to the Birmingham road at the county line on Oak Mountain, and Sam Isbell appointed overseer to cut out and open said road.

Application of citizens of beat 8, to change the Columbiana road from top of Double Mountain to 9 mile post on Columbiana and Pelham road was adopted, and T. L. Kendrick appointed overseer to cut out and open said road.

The road known as the Crenshaw road was established, and Mrs. V. C. Elliott allowed $5.00 as damages to her land.

The treasurers annual report was examined and found correct, and was ordered recorded in the minutes of the court.

The Mayor and City Council of Columbiana were appointed as agents of the court to look after and protect the water works system of the county.

HONOR ROLL

For Month Ending January 7, 1898.

First Grade—Lois Mason.

Second Grade—Dinnie Mae Rowe Eddie Barnett.

Third Grade—Lapsley Holcomb, Bessie Holcomb, Nena Millstead.

Fourth Grade—William Nelson, Edna Hallmark.

Sixth Grade—Florence Spencer, John Hallmark.

Seventh Grade—Myrtle Thompson, Belle Cromwell, Mary Finley, Oza Hammond, Lallage Longshore, Minnie McGibony, Allie Nelson, Carrie Rowe, Georgia Thomas, Bernard Finley, Pierce Mason.

Eighth Grade—John Mooney, Walter O'Hara, Isaac Wood, Will Weaver.

F. MYNATT, Principal.

HONOR ROLL

Of Wilsonville High School for December 1897.

Third Grade—Minnie Weldon.

Fourth Grade—Annie Wingard, Annie Boyer, Emma Weldon, Sammie Taylor, Elgin Pope, John Gwin, Claude Tinney.

Fifth Grade—Renna Taylor, Leon Pope, Willie Gwin, Hexmie Stoudenmire, Helen Boyer, Stella Huston, Bessie Nivens.

Sixth Grade—Chas. Niven, Eula Taylor, Lizzie Taylor.

Seventh Grade—Rosa Graham.

Eighth Grade—Perdie Holland, Purnie Pope, T. V. Neal.

C. A. MATHEWS, Principal.

Jackson's Mill.

Health very good.

J. R. Wagganer, of Childersburg, has accepted a position as sawyer at this place, and is giving entire satisfaction.

O. B. Norred made a business trip to Heflin a few days ago.

Miss Eva Farr, of Fourmile, has accepted a position of teaching near this place. We wish her much success.

"Young Joe," how came the yellow pony to stay at home last Sunday?

Aaron Foster has moved up to the mountains. We wish him much success at his new location.

The entertainment given by Mr. Fancher, was not a failure.

We think from the way Jim Black goes up the road, we will get to eat some cake soon.

W. A. Lowery, one of our handsome young men, has accepted a position as night fireman at this place.

J. M. Kytle, of Helena, was over to "see" his people at this place a few days ago.

"Sager," of Lewis, I think the Advocate would be better off without your sentiments. You say you have no control over John Powell. I will say to you, that in my opinion, you can't control yourself, and if this be the case, who could expect you to control John.

FRANK.

FOR RENT.

Two five-room cottages. In good condition and in desirable part of the city. For further information, apply at the Advocate office.

We understand that a Teachers Institute will be held at Fourmile February 11th and 12th. A splendid program will be prepared. All interested in education should attend this Institute.

Shelby Sparklings.

President Bush was in our town last week.

Miss Ozella Harrell, of Meredian, Miss., after spending a pleasant month with relatives here, returned to her home last Thursday.

Capt. W. H. Bell returned from an extended visit to Bridges.

Miss Sadie Corley left Monday for her home in Alberta, leaving many friends to regret her departure.

A jocund party, composed of Mr. Wm Parker and Miss Hand; Mr. Falkner and Miss Susie McGhee, of Columbiana, were delighted visitors to our city Sunday.

Messrs. Erlick and Lefkovits, of the Columbiana Mercantile company, spent a brief but most pleasant time here last Thursday evening.

A gentle rain drops pleasantly from Heaven, this morning (Tuesday.)

Rev. A. T. Clarke discoursed most interesting and appropriate sermoms in the Congregational church Sunday. The morning text, "Blessed are the merciffied, for they shall obtain mercy."

Messrs. H. C. DuBose and C. E. Greek, of your city, attended the divine service here Sunday night.

Some of your boys achieved the philosophy of taste, or must have studied the science of beautiful. They are frequent visitors to those who are described as beauties.

On Sabbath morning and evening, Rev. S. N. Burns, who is assigned to this place, preached his first sermons to this congregration. Most every one of vast audience, seemed impressed with the solemn spirit of the oration, and the utmost quiet and devout attention was given throughout the splendid rendition of the sermonizing.

The postoffice has been eloinated near the Danamora hotel.

Max Boxer may remain here a short while longer, than it was first expected.

Last Tuesday evening was an occasion long to be remembered in our cultured little city. The social event being a reception tendered by the Epworth League at the Methodist church, complimentary to Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Burnes and little son Oma. Time and space forbids a detailed account of the charming hours spent amid the beauty and refinement of this typical young woman, Miss Flosie Kifer, than whom there is no more perfect hostess, dispensed her hospitality with graciousness. One of the yonng ladies presided at the organ, and music beguild d the hours away. Our eminent divine Mr. Burns, received the hearty congratulations of those present. Dainty refreshments were deftly served throughout the evening, and in every possible way Miss Kifer contributed to the enjoyment of the members and their friends of this popular society.

Wishing the Advocate and its readers the compliments of the season.

XAM.

Yellow Leaf.

Health of community good.

Clay Fancher visited his uncles family near Liberty last Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Tinnie Lyon returned last week where she had been visiting her uncles family, M. B. Smith, and reported having a fine time.

Misses Florence and Eliza Fancher were the guests of Miss Viola Baldwin last Saturday and Sunday.

R. B. Moore and wife and two little boys have got the fever. Mr. Moore and little boys are doing as well as could be expected, but Mrs. Moore is in a critical condition, but we hope she will recover soon

Montgomrey Fancher visited relatives near Harpersville Sunday.

Miss Claudy Lyon spent Sunday with home folks. Come again, you are always welcome.

Well, Sager, it does look like to me you could get an invitation to eat some cake, as there have been for some time past, a wedding every Thursday and Sunday. Boys, will some of you give Sager of the Lewis Blows, an invitation.

Messrs. James Black and Riley Stone were the guests of Miss Mattie Henderson Sunday.

Miss Mattie Henderson was the guest of Miss Tinnie Lyon last Thursday.

David Scott, of Dogwood, was on Yellow Leaf a few days ago. He was up dear hunting, and I think he found one at Mr. Bowlin's saw mill. Watch out C. W., or he will catch her first.

Mr. Gramp Smith, of Dogwood, visited relatives and friends, and I also think he was out dear hunting to, in this community last week.

YOUNG JOE.

Though slightly disfigured, I am still in the fight, with the cheapest and best stock of groceries FOR CASH.

J. H. Hammond.

Vincent.

Miss Mattie Kidd, of Harpersville, visited our town last week.

The season for the la grippe has arrived it seems, as almost everybody is sick from colds and "grip."

We are sorry to state that Miss Eva Samuel is quite sick with pneumonia. We hope she may soon recover.

P. T. Pitts, formerly of this place, but now of Camp Hill, spent last week with friends and relatives. Come often Peyton, we miss you from our midst.

Mrs. Dr. Gray, of Sylacauga, who has been visiting her mother Mrs. Freeze returned home Sunday.

Mrs. Ed. Elliott is visiting Sylacauga this week.

We are sorry to cronicle the illness of one of our teachers, Miss Minnie Pelham. We hope though she will soon be at herself again.

Rev. R. A. Kidd filled his regular appointment Saturday and Sunday, and preached splendid sermons.

Those "wedding bells" we have been listing for so long a time, may ring yet, who knows? Anyway, the lumber can be seen on the lot. How about it Mr. S.

Pope & Co., have added a new clerk to their force, Mr. Chapman Wilder. We understand he is to keep the books. We extend to Mr. Wilder a hearty welcome to our little town.

Prof. Florey's school is in a flourishing condition, and no doubt he feels flourishing too, as its a ten pound boy.

Supt. Eugene Williams hopes to be prepared to pay off the teachers by the 15th, though no apportionment sheet has been sent out by the State Supt. to date.

J. H. Wilder has just returned from Fort Deposit, Kansas, bringing with him a large drove of horses and mules, which he places upon the market.

An accident occured at Creswell station Sunday evening. Albert Baker, Jr., colored, while swinging on the passenger train, was thrown under the car wheels. You may guess as to the result.

OCCASIONAL.

Lewis Blows.

Health not good.

E. L. Crumpton has been quite sick, but is up again.

Prof. S. S. Crumpton, John Brasher and L. B. Riddle attended church at Ebenezer Saturday.

Several of our young people enjoyed a grand entertainment and candy breaking at the residence of Mr. S. J. Spearman Saturday night. It was greatly enjoyed by all who were present.

George and John Powell paid Columbiana a pleasant visit Saturday.

S. B Strickland and family, of Columbiana, have moved to our neighborhood, and are living on the farm of R. A. Albright. We are glad to welcome them with us.

Albert Gardner, of Cobb, was in our community Saturday and Sunday. Come again old boy, you have a hearty welcome on Fourmile.

The infant child of Mr. W. H. Farr is quite sick. We hope it will soon recover.

Mrs. Mary Taylor has been very sick, but is now convalescing.

Little Ada, the daughter of Mr. James Finley, we are sorry to state, is very sick at this writing. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Prof. Farrell spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives in Childersburg.

Mr. Watters, of Talladega county, spent a few days last week in these parts visiting his brother-in-law, Mr. Ed. Russell and family.

G. D. Jackson has come back to Fourmile to spend a month or two with his old friends.

Prof. Crumpton has a flourishing school at the Center school house, and Prof. Farrell at Fourmile.

Mr. Busley, of Talladega county, is visiting the family of S. B. Bradley.

Rev. Roy Brasher, of Shelby, will preach at Fourmile on the fifth Sunday at 11 o'clock. Everybody come and hear a good sermon.

Frank, of the Jackson Mill Items, what has become of Speer. He has not been seen on Fourmile in several weeks. He has surely had a serious spell of sickness. If he has been down here, he has not let Sager see him. I want you to see after him and get his captain to let him come, for I know he is wanting to come.

SAGER.

The commissioners court finished the business for the term and adjourned Friday evening. In another column will be found a synopsis of their proceedings.

Bridgeton Items.

Mr. Tom McDonal had a severe case of small pox, but his family after being vaccinated, had very light cases if attacked at all.

We have learned that Mr. John Poole's children had small-pox; but if so, it has been a very light form.

The schools have re-opened, but with a small attendance.

The gins, we suppose, will soon finish ginning.

Cotton has turned out extra well in this section. As the price goes down the farmer who is indebt, will be compelled to plant more acrage, in order to meet his obligations, thereby cutting off the production of corn, oats hay, etc. But then, is it not possible for the farmer to produce more bales to the same acres, than he now produces and lessen the cost of production, in order to meet the reduction in price? Of course there is no overproduction of cotton, so long as so many bright-faced, intelligent children are in rags and tatters. Would it not be better, however, for all, if those who can do so, should turn their attention to something else, and not produce so much cotton. The man who made a debt a few years ago, expecting to pay it with cotton at 8 or 10 cents per pound, has suffered more than any one else. It seems to us that a reduction of the cost of production and not a reduction of the number of bales produced is proper under present circumstances.

The State committee of the Populist party has met, and the County committee has met and determined the policy of the party in the coming election, so candidates for the various offices will be the next in order. It seems to us that the office of Probate Judge is the most important one in the county, for reasons, which for want of space, we will not give, and that it can be filled properly only by a man who has a good knowledge of the law, because the business of the Probate Judge's office naturally requires a knowledge of law, which the average farmer does not possess. Realizing this, the populists of this section desire to see the announcement of A. P. Longshore. He has been with us from the birth of our party, and has proved true and faithful. He has served us in the Legislature, which is not a very lucrative position, and it seems to us that we owe him something better if a party ever owes a man anything. Yet, there are numbers of men who have served as faithfully, but we favor A. P. Longshore first. Yours for the people.

AGRICOLA.

Saginaw Dots.

Health good with a few exceptions.

Miss Minnie Wilson is visiting relatives at Brierfield this week.

Mrs. Lula Lofton has returned to her home in Birmingham, after spending the holidays with her parents.

Chas. Naish left Satuaday for Bessemer, leaving sad hearts and tearful faces among some of the girls.

Andrew Nabors, of Birmingham, spent Thursday with home folks.

We learn that Mr. Louis Patten, of Walnut Crossing, is going to move to Longview, and Mr. Elvin Garrett, of Waxahatchie, will move to the place vacated by him.

Henry Wilson is very popular with the other young men at all entertainments, because he always carries his sisters, and then goes and gets another buggy full of the fair damsels.

Some of our citizens were summond to the special term of court last week.

Walter Wilson, who is attending the Normal school at Brierfield, spent the Christmas holidays with his father's family and friends in this community.

Henry Daviston, of Dogwood, visited relatives here Friday.

Rufus Hale transacted business at Dogwood Friday.

Shelby Naish has moved his family to Elliottsville, to the regret of some of our young men.

Our pastor, Rev. W. B. Carter, of East Lake, delivered us three very able sermons Sunday at Longview at 11 a. m. and 7 p. m., and at Saginaw at 3 p. m.

The young people of our community enjoyed a nice entertainment at the residence of Mr. E. L. Fulton, Jr., Thursday night, and also at Mr. C. E. Hale's Friday night.

Watch out, some one is going to get some cake, because the wedding bells are ringing loudly.

Two more souls were made happy at the residence of the brides father, Miss Willie Fulcher to Mr. Joe Denton.

Mr. John Cacy is the night operator at Longview.

Robt. Scott is now keeping the postoffice and selling goods for Mrs. A. B. Payne at Longview.

C. C. Murrah transacted business at Pelham Saturday.

Louis Patten transacted business at Montevallo Saturday.

PRODITOR.

Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of one Fi. Fa. issued from the Circuit Court of Shelby County, and to me directed, I will proceed to sell in front of the Court House Door, in the town of Columbiana, on the 31st day of January, 1898, within the legal hours of sale, to the highest bidder for cash, the following described property, to-wit:

North east quarter, and part of the south east quarter of section 28, township 19, range 2 east; south west quarter of the south east quarter of section 21, township 19, range 2 east; south west quarter of the north west quarter of section 27, township 19, range 2 east; north west quarter of the north east quarter of section 21, township 19, range 2 east; west half of the south west quarter, and the south east quarter of the north west quarter of section 27, township 18, range 2 east; 20 acres off of east side of the north east quarter of the south east quarter of section 28, township 18, range 2 east; west half of the north east quarter of section 34, township 18, range 2 east; west half of the south west quarter of section 21, township 19, range 2 east; north east quarter of the south east quarter of section 20, township 19, range 2 east; south east quarter of the south east quarter, and the north west quarter of the south west quarter of section 21, township 19, range 2 east; south west quarter of the south west quarter of section 8; township 19, range 2 east; west half of the north west quarter of section 17; township 19, range 2 east; north east quarter, and the east half of the north east quarter of the north west quarter of section 18, township 19, range 2 east; west half of the north west quarter; and the west half of the north east quarter, of the north west quarter of section 18, township 19, range 2 east; south half of the north east quarter, and all of the south east quarter of section 10, township 20, range 2 east; south east quarter of the north west quarter, and the east half of the south west quarter of section 10, township 20, range 2 east; north west quarter and the west half of the south west quarter of section 11, township 20, range 2 east; north west quarter of the north east quarter, and the north east quarter of the north west quarter of section 15, township 20, range 2 east; south east quarter and all of the west half of section 14, township 20, range 2 east; south half of the north east quarter, and the north west quarter and the south half fraction of section 23, township 20, range 2 east; east half of the south east quarter, of the north east quarter, and 17 acres off of the north east quarter of the south east quarter fractional of section 22, township 20, range 2 east; west half of the north east quarter of section 14, township 20, range 2 east; west half of the north west quarter, and the south west quarter of the north west quarter of section 10, township 20, range 2 east; north east quarter of the south east quarter of section 9, township 20, range 2 east; north east quarter, and the east half of the north west quarter of section 30, township 19, range 2 east; east half of the north west quarter of the north west quarter, and the east half of the south east quarter of the north east quarter of section 30, township 19, range 2 east; south west quarter of the north west quarter of section 29, township 19, range 2 east; south west quarter of the south east quarter of section 33, township 18, range 2 east; south west quarter of the north west quarter, and 30 acres in the north west quarter of the north west quarter of section 3, township 19, range 2 east; east half of the north east quarter, and the north west quarter of the north east quarter, and the east half of the north west quarter of section 4, township 19, range 2 east; south half of the north west quarter of section 26, township 18, range 2 east; north east quarter of the north west quarter of section 35, township 18, range 2 east; south east quarter of the north east quarter, and 30 acres off of the south end of the north east quarter of the south east quarter of section 33, township 18, range 2 east; east half of the south east quarter, and the south east quarter of the north east quarter, and 30 acres in the north west quarter of the south east quarter of section 22, township 18, range 2 east; north west quarter of the south west quarter, and 6 acres in the north east quarter of the south west quarter of section 23, township 18, range 2 east; north west quarter of section 30, township 19, range 2 east. Also one two story brick store house and lot, and one frame store house and lot in Harpersville, and one brick store house and lot in Vincent.

Levied upon as the property of T. J. Martin, to satisfy said Fi. Fa. in my hands in favor of A. J. Harris and F. P. McWhirter.

This 18th day of December, 1897.

E. F. VEST, Sheriff.

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Cane with a History.

Major M. M. Clotheier, of Whatcom, Wash., has a hickory cane, cut at Plymouth Rock, Mass., in 1621, by Nathaniel Pierce, who came over in the Mayflower. The cane has been passed down to the eldest son or daughter for many generations, and came to Major Clotheier irom his grandmother, Sarah Mason, who made the 1,700-pound cheese which was given to President Jefferson.

The dude is very ofteff the living picture of an unpaid tailor bill.

The Indians in the interior of Canada still adhere to the primitive mode of disposing of the remains of their dead, the corpse, attired in a new suit of clothes, being placed on a platform some ten or twelve feet high. Those living nearer to civilization have adopted burial, but even then the new suit of clothes is indispesable, and the body is placed in an upright or sitting position on some hillside facing a lake or river, that the eyes of the dead may see the canoes or chimans passing by. Favorite weapons are invariably interred with the bodies.

Purely a Local Disease.

Eczel a is a local disease and needs local treatment. The irritated, diseased skin must be soothed and smoothed and healed. No use to dose yourself and ruin your stomach just because of an itching eruption. Tetterine is the only simple, safe and certain cure for Tetter, Eczema, Ringworm and other skin troubles. At druggists or by mail for 50 cents in stamps. J. T. Shuptrine, Savannah, Ga.

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LUCAS COUNTY.

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FRANK J. CHENEY.

Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886. SEAL. A. W. GLEASON, Notary Public.

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Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children teething, softens the gums, reducing inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c. a bottle.

By the death of Hyman Z. Salomon the other day at Denver, Col., that city lost one of its first settlers. The deceased built the first block of brick business premises in the city.

England is suffering from an epidemic of measles.

Use "C C C" Certain Chill Cure.

Best in the world. CERTAIN CURE CO., Evansville, Ind.

Ex-President Cleveland and Lyman W. Gage, secretary of the treasury, will make addresses at the opening of the Winona Presbyterian assembly at Warsaw, Ind., next June.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c

Web to the length of two and one-half miles has been drawn from the body of a single spider.

Chew Star Tobacco—The Best.
Smoke Sledge Cigarettes.

George Ford, of Louisville, Ky., 77 years old, has been married seven times, and the age of his latest bride is 17 years.

Look out for colds
At this season. Keep
Your blood pure and
Rich and your system
Toned up by taking
Hood's Sarsaparilla. Then
You will be able to
Resist exposure to which
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Paper in Amoy, China.

The annual consumption of paper used in Amoy, China, is said to be nearly $10,000,000. Most of it is of local manufacture. The Chinese don't like foreign-made paper.

A man has less trouble watching his enemies than he has keeping his friends in line.

Some people save all their sympathy until a man is dead; they they make his grave sloppy with their tears.

Deep Diving Operations.

Diving operations at a great depth have proved successful off Cape Finisterre, all the silver bars from the steamer Skyro, which sank in thirty fathoms in 1891, having been brought to the surface. The working depth for the divers was never less than one hundred and seventy-one feet and was often more. Dynamite was used to blow away the deck. The value of the silver was forty-five thousand dollars.

Suffering loses all its charms for a woman if she has to do it in silence.

School Roof Playgrounds.

Land is so valuable in New York that space cannot be afforded for school yards, and it is proposed to have playgrounds on the roofs, which will be enclosed by a high railing.

Appearance Was Deceptive.

He was a sanctimonious-looking man, clad in a severely cut suit of somber black. He even called for black coffee when he quietly took his seat at the counter in the light lunch cafe near Tenth and Chestnut streets, on Saturday night.

It seemed strange to the other customers of the place that so religious a man as he appeared to be should be drinking black coffee at midnight, says the Philadelphia Record. Black coffee is calculated to keep a man awake all night. Perhaps, thought the others, he has a long sermon to prepare for delivery in the morning. There was another surprise for the patrons of the place when the sober individual placed a cigar box on the counter beside him.

They wouldn't have been surprised if it had been a prayer book or a Bible, but a box of cigars seemed much too worldly. However, the best of Christians smoke sometimes. This Christian quietly drank his cup of black coffee, and after paying for it picked up his cigar box and started for the door. Unfortunately, however, he carried the box with the bottom uppermost, and the next instant an astounding thing happened.

The lid of the box swung open, and about a half-peck of red, white, and blue chips, together with several bunches of aces, kings, queens, ten-spots and the like were distributed all over the floor. The clerical-looking gentleman ejaculated "blankety blank blank" several times while he gathered up his poker outfit. Then he drifted out into the night.

Ran Away Backward.

A singular accident occurred in the Frisco yards, near Joplin, Mo., recently. Engine No. 126, running extra, left town upon the Girard pasenger train's time. The trains met on a curve on the edge of town. Both engineers applied the air brakes and reversed their engines, also giving a full head of steam to mitigate the collision. The engineer, fireman and trainmen of the extra engine jumped for their lives. The engines collided, but with only enough force to crush the cow-catchers. Having a full head of steam and being reversed, the extra engine, with no one aboard, rebounded, and at a terrific speed began backing out of town. It passed through East Joplin going at a rate estimated at a mile a minute. The dispatcher was promptly notified, and all trains in its direction were held to prevent another collision. Searchers found the engine two miles from town on a hill, with the steam and water exhausted, but with no apparent damage from its wild run.

City Cousins and Summer Boarders.

In a sketch on "Peaceful Valley," picturing life in an ideal rural community, Mrs. Lyman Abbott, in the Ladies' Home Journal, presents this realistic picture: " * * * Let us spend a winter in Peaceful Valley as an experiment. The summer visitors will have gone. The 'city cousins,' who find it very convenient to spend a few economical weeks with Cousin John on grandfather's old farm, to ride about in his plain, springless wagon, to enjoy the cream and fresh butter, and Cousin Jane's 'home cooking,' with the great advantage of having saved a good many dollars to be put into added luxury and festivities in town, will have departed. Gone, too, will be the 'city boarders,' who can find more fault in an hour than any other class of people, and who show great powers of endurance by staying on in places and returning to them year after year, where, according to their unvarying testimony, 'the food is poor and the beds are hard, where there is no meat worth eating, where the insects and flying things are pestering, where it is too hot or too cold,' and where, generally, so far as the landlady ever hears, things are about as uncomfortable as they can possibly be."

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A CRISIS IS APPROACHING.

Strong Probability That Spain May Seek Uncle Sam's Aid

TO BRING ABOUT A REIGN OF PEACE IN CUBA

The Madrid Government is Considering a Formal Offer of the United States to Stop the Revolution in the Unhappy Queen of the Antilles.

A special to the Chicago Tribune from Washington says:

Spain is considering a formal request to the United States to use its good offices to stop the fighting in Cuba.

Intimations have been received at the state department that the Sagasta government had become convinced that the only way to save Cuba was to accept the often-proffered good offices of the United States. Canovas repeatedly replied to President Cleveland declining these good offices, and Sagasta did the same last November. Now the prime minister has become completely disheartened over the evident failure of autonomy.

All efforts of Spain to bribe the subordinates of Gomez to surrender on the basis of home rule has proven futile. Blanco has completely failed in his efforts to open up communication with the insurgents, and Pando has likewise been defeated in the field. Spain now feels that the only thing left is to accept the good offices of Uncle Sam, in spite of the humiliation involved. They hesitate only because they feel that a public announcement of this fact would result in a revolution in Spain.

Secret negotiations with the state department now are actually in progress. The Spanish government has lost the confidence of the loyalists in Cuba, and it recognizes the fact that the island itself is lost entirely unless this country will, at this late day, negotiate with the insurgents for some basis of peace. The Spanish purpose that the United States should propose to the insurgents an actual armistice pending negotiations for peace on the basis of American guarantees of the integrity of home rule, or even of independence on a money consideration.

While no such formal proposition has been made by Minister DeLome, the state department has been given to understand that only the fear of revolution in Spain stands in the way now of accepting the friendly offices of the United States, which have been rejected so often.

ABSOLUTE FREEDOM.

"The Cuban People Will Admit of No Other Solution," Says Gomez.

The New York Herald Thursday prints the following letter from General Maximo Gomez, Commander-in-Chief of the Cuban army, dated:

"In the Field, Dec. 26. 1897.

"You ask me for my opinion regarding what effect the autonomous regime about to be implanted by Spain in Cuba might have toward the pacification of the island? The Cubans in arms do not propose to give up, and shall never yield, in their struggle with the metropolis until they have established their absolute independence.

"No matter what number of liberties are granted to Cuba by the Spanish government, even in case Spain should reserve for herself no other right than to keep the Spanish flag over Cuba as a symbol of nominal sovereignty, she will not succeed in ending the war.

"The Cuban people will admit of no other solution of the present conflict than whereby Cuba shall be recognized as a member of the sisterhood of free nations."

Work on the Appropriation Bill.

Representative Boutelle, chairman of the house committee on naval affairs, has begun work on the naval appropriation bill. The important questions of new ships and armor plate will not be considered for some time, the purpose being to settle first all the regular items for carrying on the naval establishment and then take up the more serious questions.

WILL DETERMINE SEX.

Remarkable Discovery Claimed to Have Been Made.

According to the Vienna correspondent of the London Daily Chronicle, Dr. Schenck, professor at the University of Vienna and president of the Embryological institute, claims that after twenty years of experiments he has discovered the secret of exercising an influence over animals and men so as to fix the sex of their offsprings.

Dr. Schenck declines to reveal it until he has placed his discovery before the Academy of Science, but he says the influence depends upon the nature of the food consumed by the female.

Pensioners Becoming Alarmed.

Since the agitation concerning the publication of the list of pensioners has commenced Commissioner Evans has received several letters from pensioners requesting a cancellation of their pensions.

Chicago Platform at the Masthead.

The Vicksburg (Miss.) Dispatch, the new morning daily, has made its appearance. The Dispatch publishes the Chicago platform in full and announces that it will sail by this chart.

Gen. Booth Coming.

Six thousand peasons, most of them members of the Salvation Army, assembled in London in a demonstration of farewell to General William Booth, who is about to sail for the United States to assist in organizing great additions to the army.

Return of the Plague.

At Bombay, India, the plague returns for the past forty-eight hours record 142 new cases and 105 deaths. There is a general exodus of the population and a suspension of business is threatened.

TERSELY TOLD TELEGRAMS.

Mrs. Adeline Fassett, an artist of national prominence, dropped dead at Washington.

Dr. R. L. Dabney died at Austin, Tex. He was assistant secretary of agriculture under Mr. Cleveland.

William T. Buckley, a prominent New York business man, committed suicide by shooting himself through the head.

An eclipse of the moon will take place January 27, beginning about dark and lasting about one hour and thirty-six minutes.

Charles Page Bryan will be made minister to Turkey in place of Dr. James B. Angell, of Michigan, who will be sent to China.

The hearing of the Alabama contested election case of Crowe vs. Underwood, committee No. 1, has been postponed from Jan. 7 to Jan. 14.

It is reported in London that negotiations for a Chinese loan of £16,000,000, guaranteed by the British government, are practically concluded.

The steamer Vigilancia, which arrived Thursday from Havana, brought 1,800 bags, 594,000 pounds, of sugar, the first shipment from Cuba in many months.

A terrible explosion occurred on the Cincinnati Southern road Wednesday, causing the death of Thomas Lenehan, engineer, and Fireman Denham.

At Tracy City, Tenn., John Hall, a special deputy in the internal revenue service, was attacked by E. D. Swan, who cut him so severely that death soon resulted.

The news from the sick room of Hon. Ben Butterworth, who was reported to be dying at Thomasville, Ga., is decidedly more hopeful, and it is now believed he will recover.

About 1,100 postoffices throughout the country were assigned to the money order class on January 3. This makes approximately 25,000 postoffices at which money orders may now be obtained or cashed.

Representatives of a Canadian and American company, who visited Labrador for the purpose of erecting sawmills, report that that country contains deposits of gold of great richness, and is destined to become a great mining country.

Ignatius Donnelly, the "Sage of Nininger," is to be married in about six weeks to Miss Marian Hansen, the pretty stenographer in the office of Mr. Donnelly's newspaper. The great populist leader and Baconian is now 66 years old. His prospective bride is only 20.

It is believed the long distance telephone record was broken Thursday at Gallatin, Tenn., when John H. Cross, representative of the Bell Company, talked with the operator at Norfolk, Va. The circuit used passed through Nashville, Evansville, Terre Haute, Indianapolis, Pittsburg, Philadelphia, Washington and Richmond to Norfolk, making fully 1,500 miles.

Lone Star State's Progress.

Texas made great progress during the year just ended. It is estimated the state gained 150,000 in population. The state is now well covered with farms and ranches, there being little good land left not under fence. The products of fields, ranches, factories and mines during 1897 foot up $300,000,000. The greatest advance has been in agriculture and cattle. Railroad and factory building has been slow—less, if anything, than usual. The oil production around Corsicana proves that the state will soon be reckoned as equalling some of the middle states.

Teller Wants Silver.

Senator Teller, has introduced a concurrent resolut on declaring the bonds of the United States to be payable in silver dollars and asserting that "to restore their coinage such silver coins as a legal tender in payment of said bonds, principal and interest, is not in violation of the public faith nor in derogation of the rights of the public creditor."

Exterminated His Family.

At Greenville, Tenn., Capt. A. W. Carter, while temporarily insane, brained his wife with an axe and then with the same weapon inflicted wounds upon his daughter which caused her death. After committing this deed, Captain Carter, with a pistol, shot himself. It is stated that his mind became unbalanced about three years ago, caused by the death of a daughter.

SHOULD TAKE HIGH RANK.

The University of Alabama as a Health Resort.

The members of the Alabama Corps of Cadets had their Christmas dinner on Thursday, before being furloughed for the holidays. They made away with 1,200 fresh oysters, fifteen large turkeys, and apples and oranges by the bushel.

The Mess Hall fare must be plentiful and wholesome, as the cadets seem to thrive on it. At the beginning of the session they were weighed by the director of the gymnasium. They were weighed again on the same scales, in the same costume during the last week. Five had neither gained nor lost in flesh. Nine had lost in the aggregate thirty-three pounds. The others had gained from one to twenty pounds. The average net gain for the corps was five and seven-tenths pounds per man. This is at the rate of twenty or twenty-five pounds per annum.

We understand moreover that there has not been a serious case of sickness since the session opened. Not a student has been sent to the hospital. From these facts it would seem that as a health resort the University should take high rank. But the best part of the terms work may be done in the several departments. It cannot be expressed by figures.—Tuscaloosa Times.

Deadlock in Maryland.

A split in the ranks of the republican members of the Maryland house of delegates, which developed at a caucus, caused a deadlock, and the house was compelled to adjourn for the day without having organized. There seems to be no immediate prospect of a settlement of the difficulty.

WATER MASSAGE.

THE LATEST INVENTION FOR THE RELIEF OF SUFFERING HUMANITY.

A Tank That Does the Work of Half a Dozen Strong Men--Water Jets That Smooth Away Aches and Leave One Contented With Life.

Water massage is the very latest invention for relieving pain. Experts say it is away ahead of massage by hands, because it is possible to get results from a single tank of water that could not be obtained were half a dozen strong men to labor with all their skill. Hospitals are using the system, and gymnasiums and Turkish baths are soon to take it up.

The tank isn't much to look at—from the outside. It looks not unlike the thousands of sections of pipe you see scattered over Fifth avenue as far as the eye can reach. The Fifth avenue pipes are larger and more unsightly, but if their size were reduced, and they were placed on end they would show a semblance to the hydraulic tank.

A force pump is operated by a steam engine in the cellar. It is this steam power which stands in the way of the introduction of the system at present into private homes. On the wall are the appliances for filling and emptying the tank. This work, by the way, can be done at a minute's notice. There is one lever which turns on the hot water and another which controls the supply of cold water, and the revolving water in the tank can thus be fixed at any desired temperature.

Before the water is turned on you may look into the tub, and see the little holes or perforations in the sides. These are not great in diameter, but they form a powerful combination when they get down to business. Now the water is turned on. It is regulated at a temperature of 105 degrees. You may put in your hand and feel that it is warm and pleasant. Up comes the water to the top of the tub, and you think that it is about to flow over the sides and onto the floor. But it isn't. It stops where it is. Again you put in your hand. You have bared your arm to the shoulder. You let your arm sink into the warm water, and with your free hand you hold in place the cloth which is to prevent the water from splashing when the jets begin to give you action.

You do not feel anything. No? And then you glance at the wall and the indicator on it. The hand is quiet and pointing to zero. Softly, however, it creeps up to the point indicating a five-pound pressure. Simultaneously you note that there is a gentle disturbance in the tank. Something has taken hold of your hand, and is stroking it tenderly and gratefully. It is not on one side of your hand and arm. It is on every side and at the same time. It is as if a thousand cats were purring contentedly and licking your arm with their velvety tongues.

The feeling of contentment increases. You see by the dial that the pressure has risen to ten pounds. No woman of high degree ever applied the rabbit's foot to her delicate cheek with more deft gentleness than these little water fairies are exhibiting in their noiseless massage. The warm water in the tank is receding constantly, and there is never any overflow. On its backward journey it passes the arm and rubs gently against the flesh, creating a current which strikes directly across the path of the jets and slightly deflects them.

The needle on the indicator points to fifteen and then to twenty, and you may send it up as high as you wish within the limit of fifty pounds. There is no danger that the powerful jets will become unmanageable. They are under perfect control. The warm standing water through the volume of which they are compelled to force their way before they reach your arm is the protecting influence which prevents the jets from doing you the injury which they would surely do you if there was no water blanket intervening. If they were left alone they would attack your hand with a ferocity that would speedily result in a choice collection of bruises, abrasions and possibly breaks.

Surgeons are using the hydraulic massage for the benefit of patients who are troubled with rheumatism, for rheumatism, fractures and broken bones.—New York Herald.

Mapping the Skies.

Astronomers everywhere are interested in the prospective publication of the great map of the stars, now well under way—that is, a photographic chart of the whole heavens has now for some time been in process of construction by an association of observatories in some of the leading countries of the world. In this important work the plan pursued is that of mapping the skies in sections, one section being assigned to each observatory; 3,000 photographs will be taken at each of the observatories, or a total of 54,000, and for each hemisphere there will be 11,000 small maps, or 22,000 for the entire universe. The vast map composed of these small ones will show some 30,000,000 of stars, of which 2,000,000 will be catalogued and numbered, by which means any star down to the eleventh magnitude may be located at a glance. One object of this immense and splendid enterprise is to show just what aspect is presented in the heavens now, so that any changes in the future may be detected and measured—a method by which, it is expected, valuable data will be obtained.

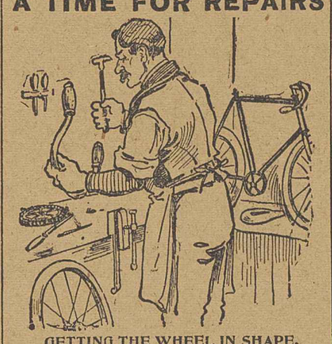
Cats Have Lost a Friend.

Joseph A. Dunn, who has just died at Glen Spey, Sullivan County, leaving an estate valued at $80,000, was known far and wide as the friend of cats, and spent much money in caring for homeless felines. Dunn would not partake of meat himself, but purchased large quantities of it to feed the cats which he found about the country. He also purchased many dozens of eggs, which he supplied the hungry animals. A short time before he died Dunn declared that he had never knowingly put to death an animal.—New York Herald.

Joseph P. Elliott, of Evansville, Ind., who is 82 years of age, has just been admitted to the bar. He has been for several years a Justice of the Peace, but never studied law until he was elected to that office.

While the autumn drought was not attended with such disastrous forest fires as many that have devastated portions of the pine lands of the Northwest in years past, the fires were dangerous enough to call public attention to the growing need of stronger federal measures for the preservation of these forests. The resolutions adopted by the national irrigation congress at Lincoln, Neb., indorsed the policy of forest reservation as indicated in the orders of President Harrison and President Cleveland, may be taken as a very reliable reflection of public opinion on this question. It is true that no edict of the government could stay the devouring element that lays waste such large areas of our pine lands during the dry spells every fall, but it is conceded that these fires might be prevented by an extensive system of forest police or wardens, similar to that employed in many countries. The fires could also be checked by fixing very severe penalties for the punishment of those who are guilty of criminal carelessness and recklessness in attempting to clear lands in this manner, thereby endangering millions of dollars' worth of property. No punishment could be too severe for men who will deliberately place in jeopardy hundreds of lives and vast areas of valuable pine timber. The rapid disappearance of American forests is a matter of serious concern. The corporate and individual timber thieves, together with those who wantonly and recklessly abuse the cutting permits granted by the government, are making heavy inroads upon our forest wealth. With this class of offenders the government can and should deal vigorously. The government should not only take measures for the prompt punishment of those who waste the timber and abuse the permits to cut from the public domain, but should devise a system of patrol that will prevent the destruction of our forests by conflagration.

A TIME FOR REPAIRS



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A case in point is quoted from the *New Era*, of Greensburg, Ind. Mrs. Ellen Colsom, Newpoint, Ind., a woman forty-three years old, had suffered for four years with distressing stomach trouble. The gases generated by the indigestion pressed on the heart and caused an irregularity of its action. She had much pain in her stomach and heart, and was subject to frequent and severe choking spells, which were most severe at night. Doctors were tried in vain; the patient became worse, despondent, and feared impending death.

A CASE OF HEART FAILURE.

She was much frightened, but noticed that in intervals in which her stomach did not annoy her, her heart's action became normal. Reasoning correctly that her digestion was alone at fault, she procured the proper medicine to treat that trouble, and with immediate good results. Her appetite came back, the choking spells became less frequent and finally ceased. Her weight, which had been greatly reduced, was restored, and she now weighs more than for years. Her blood soon became pure and her cheeks rosy.

The case is of general interest because the disease is a very common one. That others may know the means of cure we give the name of the medicine used—Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. These pills contain all the elements necessary to give new life and richness to the blood and restore shattered nerves.

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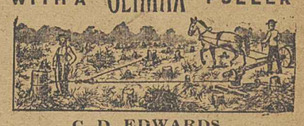

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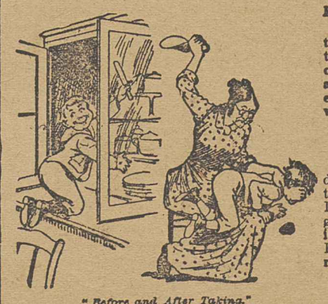

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THE PASSING SHOW.

GLANCES AT POLITICS AND CONDITIONS.

While Many of Us Are Puzzled to Make a Living the Administration Finds It Equally as Hard to Preserve Its Credit.

The administration is very much agitated at the deficit in the revenue. Some way of taxing the poor will have to be contrived, for the idea of an income tax cannot be tolerated. Accordingly, Senator Allison is to the fore with a scheme for taxing tea, and Senator Morrill is in favor of taxing coffee. The Populists in the senate want to revive the income tax, but the decision of the Supreme court stands in the way. But, whatever is to be the outcome, things cannot be long delayed, for no man, and no government either, can go on very long if he or it spends more than is received in the shape of income. The idea of levying a special tax on the railroads of the country has been suggested, but Mr. McKenna, who is so soon to go on the bench of the Supreme court, declares that a national tax on railroads is unconstitutional, and we are inclined to suspect that he knows all about it. Taxes on the rich are not apt to be constitutional, although taxes on the poor are invariably so, says the Twentieth Century. It is a little odd to have men like Senator Lodge get up and say that our country is the richest one on earth and blessed with inexhaustible natural resources, while at the same time there is no way of providing taxes enough to run the government. Senator Lodge says the talk about the distress of the poor is quite absurd because the taxes laid on the poor yield so much. This is really a very striking and ingenious argument. If the poor can pay so much, what can the rich pay?

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A Fall River, Mass., dispatch under a December date, said:

"At a general meeting of the Cotton Manufacturers' Association it was unanimously voted to reduce all wages in the mills of the city, the amount and time of the reduction being left to a committee. It is understood that the cut will not be less than 10 per cent, and that it will go into effect Jan. 1. The cut will effect 28,000 persons. The feeling is prevalent that there will be a strike, but how large a proportion of the operatives will take part in it it is impossible to say. Every effort will be made to avert such action."

There is a remedy for all this condition, costing less exertion than all these kind of "strikes"—Vote! Labor has the electoral strength to make a "strike" at the ballot box that will end for all time the necessity of strikes against reduction of wages, says the Journal of the Knights of Labor. Stand together one time at the polls, and victory will perch upon the standard of labor, and the "crown of liberty" will be won for the industrial masses. Let all labor interests combine now for one great future effort to throw off industrial serfdom. Will you do it, and be free and prosperous?

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It now looks like the American workers will not complete the Grand Trianon in Paris which they recently started, according to Pilgrim. This building was to have cost many millions and would have astonished the world by its magnificence. Perhaps you are surprised to learn that the workingmen of the United States have been engaged upon a building of this nature. Perhaps you never heard of it. Well, they have been doing that very thing, vicariously as it were. You see, the laboring people of the United States annually create and turn over to the Gould family many million dollars in return for which the Gould family do nothing. But in the direction of royalty the Gould do bend, and hence it came about once upon a time that Annie Gould married a French count and the count married Annie and $10,000,000, which the employees of the Missouri Pacific railroad and the Western Union Telegraph company had earned and turned over to Annie, because her father had given her a few little pieces of paper called stocks and bonds. So Annie and the Count de Castellene were married and soon afterwards the count turned up in Paris, and since then the "fur has flew." Banquets and yachts, balls and parties were plentiful, and the count, in cudgelling his brains for a way to spend the creation of American labor faster, hit upon this scheme of a magnificent building in Paris—not in America. But this extravagance caused the countess who, it is said, is now tired of her profligate husband to stop the flow of the golden dollars. Think of the hardships it takes to keep this irresponsible animal pleased. It has taken the cold and discomfort of many thousand railroad men to gratify his inordinate vanity, and more than one of them are minus limbs in trying to create wealth for him to throw at the birds, and many of them have left widowed women and fatherless children to face a bitter world.

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According to the President's message, the nation is a lump of prosperity; according to a bill introduced by Senator Hawley at the earliest hour possible, the nation's prosperity has wide and deep cracks. No sooner was congress opened and the President's message had been read, than Senator Hawley demands attention to a bill brought in by him for two additional regiments of artillery. How is the introduction of this bill to be interpreted but as the lie direct to the Presidential claim of our paradisiacal happiness? Now, then, if McKinley is right, and we are a happy, prosperous people, why should we want more regiments of artillery than we now have? If, on the other hand, Hawley is right, and we do need such increase of repressive power, we are not a happy and prosperous nation. One or the other is in error. Which of the two, McKinley or Hawley, in giving the lie to the other, is right?

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"Six tramps were arraigned in Justice Dunn's court Tuesday, charged with destroying railroad property. Among them was a lawyer of no mean ability who undertook the defense, and actually cleared the whole gang, much to the surprise of all. There was no question as to some of them burning posts to make a fire, but the tramp lawyer was smart enough to clear them all. His name was Norcross, of a noted family of lawyers of Illinois."—Dispatch, Arkansas City, Kas.

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Little items like the above that occasionally creep into the press show what kind of people are being crowded into the ranks of the tramps, says the Appeal to Reason. Not only the laborer and the skilled mechanic are getting down in the mire, but lawyers, doctors, bankrupt merchants and speculators—men who a few years ago would have considered you insane had you suggested that they or their kind would have been forced on the tramp. In one smelter in Pueblo, Col., five years ago, there were seven graduated physicians doing common labor alongside of the Italians and Huns. Their dream of life had faded. Poverty is a great equalizer. I often meet tramps who are educated and have ability, but not in the one line that counts—money making. There are thousands of lawyers, doctors and other professionals who are on the tramp because they could not make a living—and they had to eat. Nice system!

ECONOMIC AXIOMS.

Divide the money, you double debts;
Double the money, you divide the debts;
Divide the money, you divide prices;
Double the money, you double prices

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That commodities would rise and fall in price in proportion to the increase or diminution of money, I assume as a fact that is incontrovertible; that such would be the case the most celebrated writers on political economy are agreed.—Ricardo.

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If the whole money in circulation was doubled, prices would double; if it was only increased one-fourth, prices would rise one-fourth.—John Stuart Mill.

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Numberless as are the evils by which kingdoms, principalities and republics are wont to decline, these four are, in my judgment, most baleful: Civil strife, pestilence, sterility of the soil and corruption of the coin. The first three are so manifest, that no one fails to apprehend them; but the fourth which concerns money, is considered by few, and those the most reflective since it is not by a blow, but little by little, and through a secret and obscure approach, that it destroys the state.—Copernicus in the 16th century.

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For men have so well obscured the facts about money that the great part of the people do not see them at all. The moneyers do as the doctors do who talk Latin before women, and use Greek characters. Arab words, and Latin abbreviations, fearing that if the people understood their receipts they would not have much opinion of them—Bodin in 1557.

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Money is the life blood of business. Make it plenty, all business prospers and workingmen are employed at good wages. Make it scarce, all business languishes, merchants become bankrupt and laborers are starving.—Wendell Phillips.

The Trust Octopus.

Trust-forming goes steadily on. It stops not for season of plenty or adversity. One combination after another is consummated and the underman squeals every time. The latest is the steel rod, wire and nail trust, and J. Pierpont Morgan, prince of the trust makers, is the head. Morgan will have power far beyond anything the Rothschilds ever thought of, if he is spared to live a few years more. And every turn he makes is at the direct detriment of the public. The voters of the country had only begun to appreciate the trust danger when six and a half millions of them last November cast their ballots for a man pledged to throttle the octopus. But in the next election this issue will far transcend anything else in importance. Silver nor tariff can touch it. The very life-blood of the people is being drawn by these combinations. The larger cities are being fed by the sacrifice of the smaller. The railroads foster the tendency. It comes to be a question whether or not the government some day will not be faced with the problem of absorption of the railroad and telegraph systems as well as the great industrial enterprises. That's why the government talks about building an armor plate plant. It, itself, is coping with a combination.—Knoxville Sentinel.

Wall Street's Panics.

And now the New York gold bug papers tell us that if England had accepted the offer of our commissioners for silver coinage, Wall street would have given this country a panic such that the one of '93 would not serve even as a sample. They say that England's statesmen and business men saved us. To which we will simply add that one of these days Wall street will give us one panic too many, and she will need several Englands to save her. —Free Press.

FAVORS ITALIAN REPUBLIC.

Co-Existence of the Vatican and Monarchy Impossible.

POPE'S ALLOCUTION FORMS THE BASIS

Of an Article Which Declares That There Can Be No Peace With a King—Decree Has Produced a Profound Sensation in All Circles.

The Rome correspondent of the London Daily Chronicle in a startling statement quotes largely from an article in Civilta Cattolica which he declares is directly inspired by the vatican and the pope advocating as the solution of the eternal question between the vatican and the quirinal the establishment of an Italian republic.

The article, which is based on the pope's Christmas allocution, declares that the thing which stands opposed to papal independence is not Italian unity but "the special and concrete form wherein that unity is at present maintained with results much more disastrous to the state than to the holy see."

It proceeds to assert that the co-existence of the vatican and the Italian monarchy is responsible, and that one or the other must go. It then suggests the constitutions of Switzerland and America as examples of "admirable and glorious constitutions, true unities of nation and state, though differing from that of Italy, which has produced nothing but weakness, misery and starvation."

The article concludes:

"Without the aid of foreign bayonets the true Italy will find for itself its own way and will rise again, let us hope, from the ignominy in which it now lies prostrate to true greatness."

The Daily Chronicle's correspondent asserts that that this is "an intentional revelation to the outer world of the policy actuating the inner mind of Cardinal Rampolla," the secretary of state. He adds:

"Probably there would be no truth in the supposition that either Cardinal Rampolla or the pope had any idea of even a temporary alliance with the republican party, but yet they believe that, while peace with the king is impossible, it might be possible with a republic. The reason for the appearance of this astounding pronouncement at the present moment is the belief that not only the ministry, but the dynasty itself is menaced more seriously than usual."

TO UNITE ALL FACTIONS.

Silver Leaders Will Endeavor to Work in Union for the Fight in '98.

As a result of conferences held in Washington in the last few days between the silver leaders of the various parties, it is understood that Chairman Jones, of the national democratic committee, Chairman Butler, of the populist national committee, and Chairman Towne, of the silver national republican committee, will issue a joint manifesto the early part of next week with a view to securing common act on by the three organizations in the contest of 1898. The document is now in the course of preparation. It will appeal to all those interested in the cause of silver to work in union.

Wreck on the Mobile and Ohio.

Southbound freight train, No. 13, on the Mobile and Ohio, was wrecked about twenty-five miles north of Meridian Thursday night. As a result the negro fireman, Guy Claiborne, is dead, a white brakeman, Will Cunningham, is, it is thought, fatally wounded, and Engineer Charles Connell is badly hurt. The train crashed into an open switch and struck a train of cars on the side track.

Blanco Threatened.

Passengers who have arrived at Key West from Havana report that Captain-General Blanco has been threatened with an attack by a mob, and is mobilizing his loyal forces to be ready for any such demonstration. Most of the newspapers have been compelled to suspend publication, and those that are published are compelled to have their matter examined before using it.

Knoxville Elects a Republican Mayor.

Captain William Rule, a republican, has been elected mayor of Knoxville, Tenn. The republicans also elected the chairman of the board of public works, but lacked one of getting a majority of the board of aldermen. The democrats had two tickets in the field, which caused their defeat. The entire city government will change hands.

General Delgado Killed.

A dispatch received from Spanish sources in Pinar del Rio says that the insurgent brigadier, Gen. Parico Delgado, has been killed by his followers, and that his own staff, including Lopez Marin, has surrendered to the Spanish authorities.

Free Coinage Bill Introduced.

Representative Bland Thursday introduced a free coinage bill in the lower house of congress. It makes gold the standard and declares all rules discriminating against the legal tender of such coinage unlawful.

Governor Taylor a Candidate.

Saturday Governor Taylor formally announced that he would be a candidate for election to the United States senate by the legislature, which met in extra session Monday.

RIOTING IN HAVANA.

Army Officers Make an Attack on Newspapers.

A special from Havana says: At 10 o'clock Wednesday morning about 100 army officers, incensed by the violent attacks made by some of the local papers on the general-in-chief and the principal officers of the Spanish army in Cuba, went to the printing offices of the daily journals, La Discuscion and El Reconcentrado, and began smashing the windows and destroying the printing outfits, as well as cuffing the employes. A mob of thousands followed, shouting "Long live Spain," "Long live the army," "Long live the volunteers." The appearance at the office of La Discuscion of General Garriche, acting military commander at Havana, and General Solano, chief of staff, prevented more serious outrages. The officers then proceeded to the office of El Diario de la Marina, the mob meanwhile shouting "Death to El Concentrado" and "Death to La Discuscion." But on the appearance of General Parrado the people scattered.

At 11:30 large crowds of citizens appeared opposite the office of El Diario de la Marina and began smashing the doors and shouting "Long live Spain," "Long live the army," "Long live the volunteers."

The gendarmerie dispersed the rioters. Order was finally established. Central Park has been transformed into a military camp. There has been great excitement among the authorities, who have taken all necessary precautions to maintain order. The troops have been ordered into barracks. The police are guarding the printing offices.

At 8:30 in the evening groups of civilians formed again in the plaza de Armasy in front of the palace, shouting, "Long live Spain," "Long live the king," "Long live Weyler," and "Down with autonomy."

Warships in Readiness.

The battleships Maine and Marblehead, at Key West, have received orders to hold themselves in readiness to proceed to Cuba at an instant's warning. The orders came by telegraph. In compliance with these orders, the commanders of the battleships have made all arrangements to get under way without delay. They have been placed in communication with General Lee, who will cable them whether or not it is necessary for them to go to Havana.

Consul Lee's Report.

United States Consul General Lee has reported to the state department from Havana under date of Wednesday the facts connected with the rioting there Tuesday. While the state department officials do not divulge the text of the dispatch, it is said that they corroborate the news that has been revealed on the subject. According to General Lee's report the disturbance has been quelled for the time being, but he was apprehensive of another outbreak at any moment.

Massacre Story False.

Indian Agent Wisdom, at Muskogee, I. T., has wired the state department concerning the reported massacre of white settlers by Indians, as follows: "The reports in the papers that the Seminoles are on the warpath are absolutely false. Clerk Wisdom has just returned from Wewoka, and states that all is quiet. There is no probable uprising of the Indians. Commissioner Fears is proceeding with the investigation of the two Indians."

Largest Cargo of Cotton Ever Shipped.

The British steamship Ranza was cleared Thursday from Savannah, Ga., for Bremen, with 18,200 bales of cotton, weighing 8,963,855 pounds, valued at $524,952. This is the largest cargo of cotton ever shipped from an Atlantic port, and is over 7,000 bales more than was ever shipped from this port on any vessel. The Ranza has an additional weight of 660 tons of coal and 400 tons of water ballast, and draws 21 feet 10 inches.

Bill to Increase the Navy.

Senator Morgan Thursday introduced a bill providing for the increase of the naval establishment by the construction of four coast defense monitors of the class of the Miantonomah, Amphitrite, Monadnock and Terror. The bill provides that the vessels shall be fitted with the pneumatic system, similar to that in use on the Terror, and $400,000 is appropriated to commence the construction of the vessels.

A New Party Born.

At the conference of populist leaders held at St. Louis a new political party was born. It was christened "The People's Party." The people's party proposes to go it alone. It has severed connection with the national populist committee, and made all arrangements for administering its own estate without the aid or advice of any outside party.

New Postmasters.

The following postmasters were appointed Thursday for Alabama: D. J. Bloodworth, Cowart, Henry county; Daniel W. Morton, Fayette, Fayette county.

Increase in Naval Enlistment.

Secretary Long sent a recommendation to the house committee on naval affairs Thursday for an increase in the forces of enlisted men in the naval force by 1,000 men, and asking for an increase of the apprentices in the navy by 700.

Eighty Lives Lost.

Latest advices from the Orient state that the Japanese transport steamer Nara, of 2,510 tons, bound to the Peccaderes, was wrecked December 24 and about eighty lives lost.

MANUFACTURING ACTIVITY

Is a Feature in Southern Iron, Sales Being Very Heavy.

GOOD EXPORT DEMAND FOR COTTON.

Prices Generally Remain Steady or Tend Upward—Mild Weather Checks Distribution of Winter Goods—Failures Slightly on the Decrease.

Bradstreet's weekly review of trade says: Distributive trade remains rather quiet, mild weather throughout the country tending to check distribution of winter goods. Prices generally remain steady or tend upward, except for some grades of iron and orders for spring trade where received are encouraging. Industrial activity is most manifest at the west, where the demand for iron is very large. A feature of the week was the placing of an order by one railway for 100,000 tons of steel rails, with smaller orders, aggregating in the neighborhood of 25,000,000 tons more. Pig iron production is now at an unprecedented rate, the furnace capacity being estimated at 1,000,000 tons a month. At the south manufacturing activity is a feature, sales of iron being very heavy. A good export demand for cotton and grain at steady prices is a feature. At the east a number of strikes against wage reductions are reported or expected in the cotton industry.

Some woolen mills, working on men's heavy wear goods are refusing orders, their capacity being fully booked. Anthracite coal production, it is hoped, in that trade, will be restricted sufficiently to allow of the advance of 20 to 40 cents per ton being maintained.

The recent falling off in wheat exports prove, as was indicated last week in Bradstreet's, to have been due to the usual holiday quieting, and not to any falling off of demand from abroad. The total exports of wheat (flour included as wheat) from the United States and Canada this week amounted to 5,135,166 bushels, against 3,481,000 bushels last week and 3,948,000 bushels this week a year ago, 3,202,000 bushels in 1896 and 3,564,000 bushels in 1895.

Corn exports for the week show a gain of 1,000,000 bushels, amounting to 4,514,000 bushels against 3,255,000 bushels last week and 3,336,000 bushels in the corresponding week of 1896.

As was expected, weekly failures are slightly smaller in number, amounting to 323 this week, against 333 last week, 479 in this week of 1897, 412 in 1896, 358 in 1895 and 386 in 1894.

STRIKE ENDORSED.

Decided to Stay Out Until All Demands Are Granted.

At New Bedford, Mass., Adelphi rink was crowded Friday to its utmost capacity, fully 2,000 men and women attending the mass meeting of the union and non-union weaver of the city.

The action of the union in voting to strike was indorsed by a hearty aye, and it was voted to stay out until the abuses claimed by the weavers are corrected.

The weavers demand, first, a restoration of wages; second, the abolition of the finding system; third, the adoption of a uniform price list in all the mills of the city.

It was the sentiment of all that the weavers would no go to work Monday if the notices were taken down. The union and non-union card and picker room operatives had a mass meeting also and unanimously decided to resist the cut.

HOW TO MAKE THE FARMS PAY.

A Georgia Farmer Shows That Diversified Crops is the Panacea.

R. W. Hale, a Pike county, Georgia, farmer, has realized the value of diversified crops on a farm by his experience during the year just closed. He made forty-six bales of cotton and sold it for less than it cost to produce it. On the other hand Mr. Hale has a young orchard of forty-six acres of fruit trees. Only ten acres were old enough to bear any fruit last season, but nevertheless fruit men paid him $1,000 cash to let them ship what they wanted to from the orchard. When they got through a distiller gave Mr. Hale two barrels of brandy for what was left. After this, the hogs had a feast on the balance.

WARSHIPS MOVING SOUTHWARD

Said to Have No Reference to the Present Cuban Troubles.

The North Atlantic squadron which has been gathered at Hampton Roads, sailed Southward Saturday. Lest there should be any misunderstanding of the purpose of the cruise, which has already been described, the order under which the vessels will proceed have been made public and taken in connection with the department's orders to Admiral Sicard, the navy department says, show the squadron movements have no reference to Cuba. The squadron is supposed to be destined eventually to participate in drills in the Key West drill waters.

The Situation Is Not So Bad.

The report of Major Rucker, who was sent to Dyea recently for the purpose of reconnoitering the ground preparatory to starting the government relief expedition and interviewing persons coming from Dawson on the need of relief, has been received at Seattle, Wash., and forwarded to Brigadier General Merriam at Vancouver barracks. While the exact tenor of the report is not known, it is stated that it discouraged any unnecessary expenditure of energy and money in carrying out the proposed expedition.

ALABAMA NEWS BRIEFLY TOLD.

Will Not Grant License.

The contest case over the application for license to sell liquor at Greenbrier in the southern portion of Limestone county has been decided by Judge Horton against the application for license.

A Novel Suit.

Ex-Convict H. C. Hervey has brougt suit against the Sloss Iron & Steel Company, at Birmingham for $1,000 damages, claiming as the basis of his suit that he was unlawfully forced to work on Sundays and holidays.

Alabama Postmasters.

The following postmasters were appointed for Alabama Friday: John C. Tompkins, Bellgreen, Franklin county; A. H. Black, Hope Hull, Montgomery county; Joseph Schronberg, Scott Station, Perry county: Alexander White, White Hall, Lowndes county.

Two Tramps Killed.

Fast freight train No. 21, northbound, on the Alabama Midland of the Plant system was derailed Friday at or near Snowdoun, ten miles south of Montgomery. Two white tramps, whose names are not known, were killed and fourteen cars badly torn up. There was a general shaking up, but no other serious damage was done.

Election at Fruithurst.

At the municipal election held at Fauithurst Mr. J. A. Westerlund, the founder of the Scandinavian colony was elected mayor. Mr. Westerlund is at the head of an extensive immigration agency, and in consequence it is considered that his election will result in material augmentation of Northern energy and capital to the already prosperous condition of Fruithurst.

Boy Accidentally Killed.

At Stanton, Chilton county, Claude Jeffcoat was accidentally shot and killed by his companion, Mauly Weaver, while out hunting one day last week. They were going through a field when a covey of birds flew up. Young Weaver had the gun and as he started to shoot Claude Jeffcoat took hold of the gun with his left hand on the muzzle and saying, "it is my time to shoot," made an effort to take the gun, when the hammer fell, the charge of shot taking effect in Jeffcoat's side.

Another Fruit Colony.

A deal has been closed by which Alabama will secure another fruit colony. The persons behind the enterprise are Chicagoans with ample capital, and a determination to make a success of their undertaking. The syndicate has purchased 30,000 acres of fine land in Morgan county on the line of the Louisville and Nashville railroad and will cut it up into small farms, as has been done at Fruithurst and Thorsby. The new settlement or colony will be called Vinemount. A number of substantial Illinois families are already arranging to remove to the colony.

Talks of the Farmers' Convention.

Major Culver, commissioner of agriculture, ascribes the small attendance to the state farmers' convention at Montgomery to hard times very largely. He says he has hundreds of letters from persons in all parts of the state expressing their heartiest sympathy in the movement, in fact, declaring their enthusiastic interest in it, but saying that, not having got any money out of the sale of their 5-cent cotton, they could not afford to make the trip. Major Culver is confident the small beginning will eventually develop a great society which will accomplish an abundance of good for the state.

Improvement of the Tennessee.

In an interview with Col. Harvey Lewis, superintendent of the American Oak Extract Company of Decatur, in reference to the Tennessee river convention at Chattanooga last week, he said:

"In my opinion congress will allow the $2,000,000 for the improvement of the Tennessee. If this amount were spent on improving the river it would be navigable the year round, and would be worth more to Decatur than forty railroads. In order to put the river in a navigable condition the year round it will be necessary to put in a system of slack-water navigation. Nature has given us one of the most beautiful and useful rivers in the United States, and by the aid of man it can be made one of the greatest commercial rivers in the land."

A Novel Scheme.

Among the novel cotton schemes proposed to Hon. H. D. Lane, president of the American Cotton Growers' Protective association, within the past few days, is the following from a Louisiana planter:

"Plant enough land in cotton to grow one-half the number of bales grown last year and devote the difference in acreage to food and hay crops. Buy for future delivery one-half the number of bales grown last year and the profit on the future deal will make the half crop of spot cotton worth as much as was the large crop of last year."

Race of Millions.

A railroad building race, involving the expenditure of $16,000,000, has been commenced by two wealthy corporations, each of which desires to own the first railroad into the Yukon country. Each road will be about 400 miles long, running from Pyramid, near the head of the Lynn canal, to points on the Lewis river, below Five Finger Rapids.

James B. Simpson, one of Alabama's brightest journalists and recording secretary to Governor Johnston, died at Montgomery the past week.

CITY SWEPT BY A TORNADO.

Fort Smith, Ark., the Scene of Death and Desolation.

FORTY-THREE LIVES KNOWN TO BE LOST,

And Upwards of One Hundred Injured. The Property Loss Will Reach More Than a Million Dollars—Damage in Crawford County.

Forty-three human lives and upwards of $1,000,000 worth of property were destroyed by a terrible tornado which burst upon Fort Smith, Ark., a few minutes past 11 o'clock Tuesday night. The storm struck near the national cemetery and tore its way through the entire city, leaving its path marked by death and desolation. Men, women and children, peacefully asleep in their homes, were, without a moment's warning, awakened to a horrible death in the fearful storm, while others momentarily more fortunate and who escaped the furies of the wind, met a far worse fate a few moments later in the flames which soon engulfed many of the wrecked buildings.

List of the Dead.

The list of the dead and wounded, so far as known, is as follows: Silas Mineer, a prominent young merchant. His residence was blown away and he was struck across the back with a heavy piece of falling timber. Harvey Rutledge, a negro; Mary Timmerman; two unknown young men from Burgess hotel; John Grisgold, a tailor; John Martin and J. J. Kiley, farmers from Madison county, here attending United States court; George Carter, foreman grand opera house; Mrs. Milt Burgess, proprietor of the Burgess hotel: two unknown men died at the hospital; J. M. Foutz, farmer; Joe Kyle, farmer; two Lefevere boys; Malt Knapton, Jr.; Mrs. Malt Knapton; Joe Ukase, negro; Ed Ferrell, butcher, and his two little children, Irene and Roy; Frank Richardson, restaurant keeper; John Adams, a carpenter; Mrs. Charles Mauver; —— Ritter, gardner; Mrs. Will Lawson; Louie Sengel; Miss Holden; John Badt, a farmer; Mrs. Maggie Shehan's infant; L. Woehle, butcher; James Smith, a clerk; Mrs. Jones; Mrs. Gray, son and wife; Atlas Jones; Frank Lefevere and Etta Knes.

The Injured.

The injured: Mrs. Braden, arm broken; D. L. Grimes, collar bone broken; —— Martin, chin fractured and side bruised; —— Hosea, jaw broken; William Lawson, back injured; Bell Martin, chest smashed; Tony Eberhardt, hips bruised; F. E. Hubbell, back hurt; R. H. Crenholder, back injuree; A. B. Stafford, back injured; —— Ashworth, chest chrushed; Dr. Gate, both arms broken; Mrs. Gate, badly mashed; Mrs. Gate's mother, seriously crushed; Minnie Burgess, spine injured; Mrs. E. Grell, injured about ches; Mrs. Hugh Rogers, badly bruised about body; Mr. and Mrs. Ritter, caught under falling walls; Mrs. F. H. Brown, body crushed; Mrs. Luther Hunley, chest crushed; —— Lane, hip dislocated; Ed Yaden, badly bruised; —— Woolsey, seriously hurt; R. L. Hirschberger, shoulder dislocated, injured about head; Miss Lily Stahl, seriously injured.

The scene following the first terrific crash of the storm was one of awful grandeur. Business blocks, handsome residences and humble cottages were razed to the ground and scattered in shapeless masses. Several of the wrecks caught fire and the inflammable timbers burned furiously.

The beautiful National cemetery is a wreck. The huge trees are uprooted, the lodge demolished and the wall torn down.

Fort Smith's $50,000 high school building, the finest of its kind in the south, was badly wrecked, but was one of the few buildings upon which there was any tornado insurance.

Through Crawford County.

The tornado that descended upon Fort Smith crossed the Arkansas river one mile south of Van Buren and cut a path of 200 yards through Crawford county, and dealt death and devastation to everything in its path.

Charles Wright was blown from his horse and fatally injured; Ed Blakemore was instantly killed by his house blowing down on him; the house of Mrs. Bush was demolished, and she was crushed into a shapeless mass of flesh and bone, and two of her children, aged 8 and 16, were fatally hurt. It is estimated that one hundred head of cattle and horses were in the path of the tornado and were killed, or injured so badly that they had to be killed.

Latest Estimates.

The latest of the death list shows a total of forty-three lives lost in the tornado which swept through Fort Smith Tuesday night. Not less than seventy others are injured, a large number of whom are seriously hurt and several are expected to die.

Discovered What It Was.

While Alex Humphrey, Jr., was walking along the streets of Madison, Ala., with a crowd, he was carelessly playing with a dynamite cap, not knowing what it was. It exploded, terribly mangling his hand and shocking him and others badly.

Earthquake Killed Three Hundred.

An official dispatch from Batavia announces that the capitol of Amboyna, one of the Moluoca islands, has been completely demolished by an earthquake. Three hundred were killed and many injured.

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FOR CIRCUIT CLERK.

The friends of John P. Pearson announce him as a candidate for Circuit Clerk, subject to the action of the People's Party primary, to be held on 19th of March, 1898.

The friends of R. T. Johnson announce him as a candidate for Circuit Clerk, subject to the action of the People's Party primary, to be held on the 19th of March, 1898.

Get ready for the primary.

The Age-Herald will get out a special Mardi Gras edition.

Birmingham is making extensive preparations for Mardi Gras.

Birmingham wants the democratic state convention, and she ought to have it.

The fight is on. Let every reformer buckle on his armor and be ready to take a part.

President S. B. Dole, of the Hawaiian Islands, is now in San Francisco, on his way to Washington.

February 9th has been selected as the time, and Mobile as the place, for holding the quarantine convention.

And now the Maryland Legislature i having trouble in the election of a United States Senator to succeed Senator Gorman.

The trial of T. T. Ashford, who shot Felix Brown on the streets of Birmingham in December, has again been postponed till the 25th of January.

It begins to look as if the Good Roads convention will be well attended. Gov. Johnston and other distinguished gentlemen have signified their intention to be present.

Gov. Bob Taylor, of Tennessee, has announced himself as a candidate for United States Senator to succeed Senator Harris. He is very popular and will probably be elected.

Senator Mongan, in a speech in the United States Senate last Tuesday, predicted that "if the United States did not take the advantage of the present opportunity to acquire the Islands, there would be war between this country and some other power in within ten weeks."

A great deal of excitement was created in Washington Tuesday by a report that the Spaniards had cut the cable extending from Havana to Key West, thereby cutting off all telegraphic communication with the United States. Prominent men of all parties were aroused to a fighting humor.

The Washington correspondents of the democratic papers are busy just now suggesting candidates on the Populist ticket for Governor of Alabama. The Populists have plenty of good material to select from, and our democratic friends may rest assured that a good man will be nominated and elected.

A rumor has been prevalent that Shelby Iron company is repairing No. 2 furnace with a view of putting it in blast in the near future Capt. Christian in an interview, informed the writer a few days ago that he was having No. 2 repaired, but putting it in blast depended entirely on the demand for charcoal iron. It is to be hoped that the demand will be sufficient to run both furnaces all the time.

The Cherokee Sentinel of last week says: P. G. Bowman, of Birmingham, was an invited speaker at a dinner given by Mayor Evans last week. Governor Johnston and other leading lights in the Democratic party were present. Bowman made a speech in which he apologized for having belonged to the Populist party. Well, the party feels like it owes an apology for having recognized him as a member.

POLITICS IN SHELBY.

Politics is beginning to wax warm in Shelby, and each party is watching the other. Each is manuevering for position before commencing the fight.

The democrats are at a loss to know what to do. They are waiting to see the result of the conference called by the Republicans at Calera on the 29th of this month. It is reported that the few anti-Aldrich Republicans in the county will make a strong effort to capture that conference and adopt resolutions in opposition to fusion or co-operation with the populists, and put out a strait Republican ticket for county officers. Of course everybody knows what that means. Every man of any intelligence knows that the move is in the interest of the democratic party. The Republicans know it and they will do as they did a few weeks ago, take control of the conference and sit down on the bolters.

It is said that a certain man is very anxious to be chairman of the Republican County Executive Committee. He has been writing letters all over the county appealing to Republicans to help him. They show his letters and speak in no uncertain terms their opinion of his course. If he has influenced a single Republican to aid him to help the democrats, the Advocate has failed to hear of it. On the other hand, the party, outside of the half dozen malcontents who kicked out of the party in 1896 and voted with the democrats, is thoroughly united and will support the ticket nominated by their convention when it meets.

The populists, ninety-nine out of every hundred, favor co-operation with the Republicans, and a ticket will be selected by the two parties that will be elected by 1000 to 1200 majority.

SOUNDS THE ALARM.

The Evening Monitor, of Concord, N. H, Senator Chandler's paper, of Tuesday, contained the following significant editorial signed by the Senator, under the caption: "The Reduction of Wages Caused by the Gold Standard—Work for Silver Money." Read it:

"A good New Year's resolution for Republicans is to demand and during 1898 struggle for bimetallism. Every man who works for wages should fight against the single gold standard of money, which is the most potent cause of the recent reduction in wages made in all the factories of New England. The demonetization of silver and the consequent appreciation of gold which measures values have contributed to so reduce the prices of commodities that goods which would once have brought the producer $100, now bring him only $60. This is a world-wide condition where gold prices prevail and because the manufacturers cannot get the old prices for goods they say they cannot pay the old prices for labor. But if it had not been for the demonetization of silver the wages of labor everywhere in recent years would have risen because each laborer has been able, year by year, to create a larger product and he has therefore been entitled to larger wages as his share of that product. This legitimate rise in wages the adoption of the gold standard has prevented, and instead of a rise comes a fall.

"Here is the whole case in a nutshell and it is impregnable. The unanimous position of organized labor in America and Europe is therefore against the single gold standard and in favor of the restoration of silver to its old position as standard money.

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THE PROBATE JUDGESHIP.

No one has, as yet, announced for Probate Judge, though there are many gentleman who would like to have the office.

Among the populists Mr. Longshore and Mr. Deans are understood to be candidates for the Populist and Republican nominations, but neither of these, have as yet announced. Both of them have a strong following and the race will be a close one.

Among the democrats, three names are mentioned as probable candidates, Judge McMillan, the present incumbent, N. A. Graham, editor of the Sentinel, and E. S. Lyman, Esq., of Montevallo. The sound money democrats are in the majority in this county and will control the nominating convention. Mr. Lyman is more of a lawyer than a politician, and the Advocate is not informed as to which faction of the party he favors. Mr. Graham is a sound money or gold standard democrat, and Judge McMillan is astraddle of the fence, that is, he refuses to define his position on the finance question. Like David B. Hill, he is a democrat without prefixes. As the campaign pregresses they may force the Judge to say which side of the fence he is on.

J. B. Simpson, Recording Secretary for Gov. Johnston, died at his home in Montgomery on the 15th. Mr. Simpson was one of the editors and proprietors of the Montgomery Journal, and his death will be regretted by his many frienes all over the state.

Jackson Cotton Seed Free.

The new variety of cotton seed known as Jackson's Limbless Cotton, which yields from 4 to 6 bales per acre, the plants growing 6 to 9 feet high, having no limbs, the stems growing out directly from the stalk, is now all the rage. The plants are grown 8 inches apart in rows, 3 feet apart and 80 bolls to the stalk is common. Commissioner of Agriculture of Georgia, Hon. R. T. Nesbitt, says it is a new and wonderful variety and will give a big yield if fertilized. The lint is long and fleecy and sold this season at 10 cents per pound. There is but a small quantity of genuine seed for sale, the main crop being sold for $20,000 to a New York syndicate who will plant their share in Mississippi. The originator started with 59 stalks in 1895 and last year had 6 acres yielding 25 bales besides the seeds, which commanded $200 per bushel.

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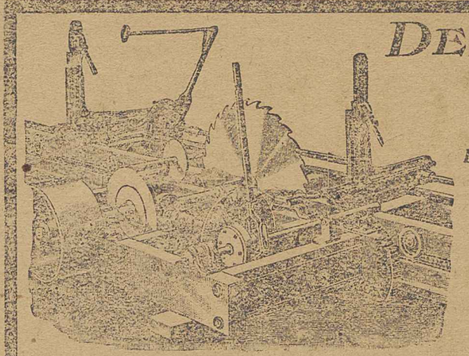

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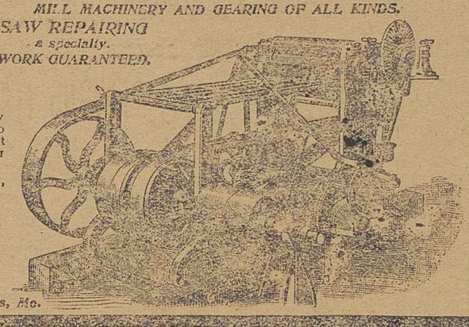

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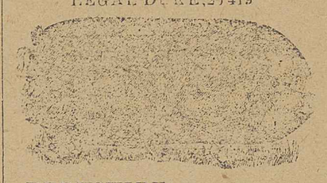

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Probate Notice.

State of Alabama, Shelby County. } Probate Court.

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E. F. VEST,
Administrator.

Notice No. 19366.

Notice for Publication.

Land Office at Montgomery, Ala., December 7, 1897.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court at Columbiana, Ala., on January 20th 1898, viz: James S. Cardin, Homestead entry No. 24,047 for the E½ of NW¼, Sec. 34, Tp. 24 north of range 15 east.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: James D. Whiten, John M. Bates, William M Connell, James M. Connell, all of Shelby, Ala.

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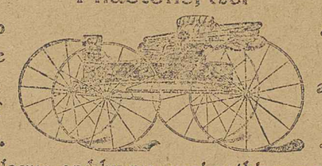

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By virtue of one Fi. Fa. issued from the Circuit Court of Shelby County, and to me directed, I will proceed to sell in front of the Court House Door, in the town of Columbiana, on the 31st day of January, 1898, within the legal hours of sale, to the highest bidder for cash, the following described property, to-wit:

North east quarter, and part of the south east quarter of section 26, township 19, range 2 east; south west quarter of the south east quarter of section 21, township 19, range 2 east; south west quarter of the north west quarter of section 27, township 19, range 2 east; north west quarter of the north east quarter of section 21, township 19, range 2 east; west half of the south west quarter, and the south east quarter of the north west quarter of section 27, township 18, range 2 east; 20 acres off of east side of the north east quarter of the south east quarter of section 28, township 18, range 2 east; west half of the north east quarter of section 34, township 18, range 2 east; west half of the south west quarter of section 21, township 19, range 2 east; north east quarter of the south east quarter of section 20, township 19, range 2 east; all that portion east of Glade, of the south east quarter of the south east quarter of section 20, township 19, range 2 east; north east quarter of the south east quarter of section 21, township 19, range 2 east; south east quarter of the south east quarter, and the north west quarter of the south west quarter of section 21, township 19, range 2 east; south west quarter of the south west quarter of section 8, township 19, range 2 east; west half of the north west quarter of section 17, township 19, range 2 east; north east quarter, and the east half of the north east quarter of the north west quarter of section 18, township 19, range 2 east; west half of the north west quarter, and the west half of the north east quarter, of the north west quarter of section 18, township 19, range 2 east; south half of the north east quarter, and all of the south east quarter of section 10, township 20, range 2 east; south east quarter of the north west quarter, and the east half of the south west quarter of section 10, township 20, range 2 east; north west quarter and the west half of the south west quarter of section 11, township 20, range 2 east; north west quarter of the north east quarter, and the north east quarter of the north west quarter of section 15, township 20, range 2 east; south east quarter and all of the west half of section 14, township 20, range 2 east; south half of the north east quarter, and the north west quarter and the south half fraction of section 23, township 20, range 2 east; east half of the south east quarter, of the north east quarter, and 17 acres off of the north east quarter of the south east quarter fractional of section 22, township 20, range 2 east; west half of the north east quarter of section 14, township 20, range 2 east; west half of the north west quarter, and the south west quarter of the north west quarter of section 10, township 20, range 2 east; north east quarter of the south east quarter of section 9, township 20, range 2 east; north east quarter, and the east half of the north west quarter of section 30, township 19, range 2 east; east half of the north west quarter of the north west quarter, and the east half of the south east quarter of the north east quarter of section 30, township 19, range 2 east; south west quarter of the north west quarter of section 29, township 19, range 2 east; south west quarter of the south east quarter of section 33, township 18, range 2 east; south west quarter of the north west quarter, and 30 acres in the north west quarter of the north west quarter of section 3, township 19, range 2 east; east half of the north east quarter, and the north west quarter of the north east quarter, and the east half of the north west quarter of section 4, township 19, range 2 east; south half of the north west quarter of section 26, township 18, range 2 east; north east quarter of the north west quarter of section 35, township 18, range 2 east; south east quarter of the north east quarter, and 30 acres off of the south end of the north east quarter of the south east quarter of section 33, township 18, range 2 east; east half of the south east quarter, and the south east quarter of the north east quarter, and 30 acres in the north west quarter of the south east quarter of section 22, township 18, range 2 east; north west quarter of the south west quarter, and 6 acres in the north east quarter of the south west quarter of section 23, township 18, range 2 east; north west quarter of section 30, township 19, range 2 east. Also one two story brick store house and lot, and one frame store house and lot in Harpersville, and one brick store house and lot in Vincent

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This 18th day of December, 1897.

E. F. VEST, Sheriff.

Notice No. 19342.

Notice for Publication.

Land Office at Montgomery, Ala. } November 29, 1897.

Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the Circuit Court, at Columbiana, Ala., on January 26th, 1898, viz: John F. McDonald, Homestead entry, No. 25,832, for the E½ of NE¼, section 24, township 20 south of range 1 west.

He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: Joseph M. renshaw, William L. Bentley, Monroe Vick, Allen A. Ray, all of Lewis, Ala.

ROBERT BARBER, Register.

THE-:-PEOPLE S-:-ADVOCATE

SOCIAL AND LOCAL NEWS.

Points About People You Know and Some You Don't Know. News From Different Beats.

Mrs. F. W. Gist spent Monday in Calera.

Hammond's too busy to write locals this week.

W. S. Pilgreen, of Calera, was in the city yesterday.

W. F. Thetford, Esq., spent Tuesday in Birmingham.

W. S. Cary, of Montevallo, was in the city yesterday.

T. F. Ferrell spent Sunday with relatives on Yellow Leaf.

John W. Johnston visited Cordova this week on business.

Capt. Jno. B. Randall, of Calera, was in the city Saturday.

W. P. Thomas spent Wednesday in Talladega on business.

J. T. Leeper, Esq., spent several days in Birmingham this week.

Charlie Hale, of beat 7, was in the city a short while yesterday.

Green Abbott and daughter, of Shelby, were in the city Tuesday.

E A Mathews, of Clanton, was in the city last Friday on business.

J. M. Crenshaw, of Lewis, was mixing with his friends here Monday.

John M. Fancher, of Montevallo, was in the city a little while Tuesday.

Sheriff Vest visited Montevallo on business the fore part of the week.

Joe Cromwell spent last week in Selma with his sister, Mrs. Waterworth.

Flour is down, go to J. H. Hammond's and find out how much.

George Mason, who has been quite sick since Christmas, is convalescent.

B. T. Selman, traveling salesman from Chattanooga, was in the city last Friday.

H. Hammond and H. C. DuBose paid Wilsonville a social call last Friday night.

Dr. A. T. Rowe and family have moved to the Mardis place, near the L. & N. depot.

Miss Ida O'Hara, of K. Spring, spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives in the city.

The horse swappers convention at Calera on Saturday 22nd, promises to be a success.

Call at W. A. Parker's livery stable, opposite Court House, and have your teams cared for.

Tom Evans left Sunday for Selma to accept a position on the Southern as flagman.

Mrs Henry Wilson, of Montevallo, spent several days in the city last week visiting relatives.

Prof. W. A. Gorman, principal of Childersburg High School, was a visitor to our city last Saturday.

John B. Ozley, of Calera, was in the city Monday, advertising the horse swappers convention at Calera next Saturday,

Miss Mamie Coe, who has been the guest of Miss Ethel Leonard for several days, returned to her home in Gadsden last Sunday.

G. R. McEwen, of Wilsonville, was in the city Monday. Bob wears a broad smile on his face now, since the new arrival at his house.

Rev. S. N. Burns filled his pulpit at the Methodist church Sunday evening, preaching a very forcible sermon on the subject of "consecration."

John B. Gorman has finished up his contract on the Montgomeay extension of the M. & O. railroad, and arrived at home with his teams last Saturday.

Mrs. Minnie Corcoran, who has been visiting the family of E. W. Chapman, returned to her home at Loflin last Thursday, accompanied by her sister Miss Edna.

Senator G. B. Deans was in the city Monday. and gave the Advocate a pleasant call. Mr Deans is being pressed by his friends to make the race for Probate Judge in this county, and will probably announce in a few days.

Rev. Mr. Hosmer preached excellent sermons at the M. E. church Saturday and Sunday, the occasion being quarterly conference. Mr. Hosmer went to Wilsonville Sunday afternoon to fill his appointment there as presiding elder.

Died.

On the 15th inst., at his residence in this city, after a lingering illness, Mr. Joseph Tinney, Sr. Mr. Tinney was one of our oldest citizens, and leaves a large family to mourn his death. He was a prominent Mason, and that fraternity took charge of the furneral and deposited his remains in Hubbard cemetery, seven miles north of this city Sunday. The Advocate extends sympathy to the bereaved family.

Refused Bail.

The habeas corpus proceeding in the case of the State vs. Jasper Nabors, charged with killing A. B. Payne at Longview, came up before Judge McMillan last Thursday, and Thursday afternoon, Friday and part of Saturday was consumed in hearing the evidence and argument of counsel. A large number of witnesses were examined. The court, after hearing all the evidence for the state and defense, refused to allow bail and the prisoner was committed to jail. J. L. Peters represented the state and W. T. Johnson the defendant.

A Runaway Match.

Last Sunday, where the Elyton and Ashby roads meet, the lives of Osceola Burke and Miss Raleigh Nabors met and merged into one. Burke, who is an industrious, useful citizen, had long been engaged to Miss Nabors, but her parents did not wish her to marry and threw obstacles in the way of the lovers.

"Love laughs at locksmiths" and obdurate parents. The fair lady let her sweetheart know last week that on Sunday she would be at the house of friends. Saturday he procured a marriage license, and asked Squire James Ozley to meet him at 8 o'clock on Sunday morning at the forks of the Elyton and Ashby roads.

Bright and early Sunday morning the Squire was at the place appointed, but it was 10:30 a. m., when the lovers arrived. In a few moments they were united and left for Saginaw, Ala., where the groom is employed.

The News wishes them a long, happy and useful life.—Montevallo News.

Miss Releigh, the bride, was born and raised in Columbiana, and has many friends here who will join the News in wishing the happy couple a long and prosperous life.

Sheriff Robert Vance, of Centerville, spent a short while in the city last Sunday. He came over for Mr Berger, a watch maker, who has been working here for some time, but now goes with the sheriff to answer the charge of embezzlement. It will be remembered by some that Mr. Berger was arrested and placed in jail here last Friday, and it is said there are quite a number of cases against him.

On Thursday night last, the colored minstrel troop from Shelby, under the leadership of Frank McCarroll, gave a concert at Sherwood Institute, which was greatly enjoyed by the large audience present. Quite a number of white people attended. The concert was given for the benefit of the school, and netted about $20.00.

On Sunday last, little Hixie, daughter of Mr. W. W. Albright, swallowed a piece of puter about the size of a half dollar, which lodged in her wind pipe. All efforts to remove it failed, until Tuesday morning when she coughed it up, much to the relief of her parents.

The "Ladies Parsonage League" of the Methodist church, will give an osyter supper on Friday night, Jan. the 28th, at the Central Hotel, to which all are most cordially invited to attend.

Mr. Max Lefkovits, of Bessemer, arrived in the city Monday. He has accepted a position with the Columbiana Mercantile company.

Miss Kate Henton, of Birmingham, and Miss Jennie Leonard, of East Lake, are visitors to our city, the guests of Miss Ethel Leonard.

Mrs. A. H. Weaver, the genial hostess of the Central Hotel, spent Sunday and Monday in Calera with her daughter, Mrs. Bailey.

Miss Nettie McMillan, of Atlanta, Ga., arrived in the city Tuesday, and is the guest of Mrs. Dr. A. T. Rowe.

Miss T. Hammond returned home Monday from a short sojurn to Sterrett, Childersburg and Wilsonville.

Miss Mary George Bailey, of Wilsonville, was the guest of Miss T. Hammond Monday and Tuesday.

The Woman About Town.

Under the heading of "Echos from the Sidewalk," signed by "Echo" in the Chronicle last week, the writer touches upon some of the existing evils in our town. "Echo" seems to think some one has been slandered. Some reports have been sent out by 'gossipers" detrimental to the character of some person. We do not believe in gossip and have an utter contempt for the gossiper. "Echo" says the men are becoming gossipers. We can't see the wisdom of bringing this subject up in the papers with an earnest endeavor to protect the character of the person claimed to have been slandered. The person injured has recourse at law for slander, if what has been said, is untrue. The trouble is, some people pick out certain persons to talk about, when there are others equally as bad, but who sail under false colors, supported and protected from arrows of truth by members of the church, and yet these same church members hurl their vile darts at those less fortunate. We object to this. The man who prays long and loud in church has no right to protect one person and slander another. He sins when he does it, and his sin shall stare him in the face at the bar of justice. We do not believe it right to ostracize any one person from society and uphold others equally as bad or worse. But "They say" did it all.

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"Echo" says whiskey is being sold in Columbiana. This fact is patent to every one. But who sells it? It seems that if any diligence were exercised on the part of our city authorities this could soon be determined. They know it is sold, but why do they not do something? "Echos" suggestion to heavily fine the drunkard is a good one. The tax payers of the town are taxed for protection they do not get. Ladies dread coming down town during business hours for fear of being insulted by some drunken man. People going to prayer meeting and church services at night hear words from these defiers of the law that causes a blush to come upon the cheek, which, on account of darkness, is unseen. We need MEN to govern our municipal affairs and not politicians.

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Speaking of gossiping reminds me that there is much talk in hotel circles. Underhand work has been resorted to in order to gain popularity as a hostelery. Things have been said and done which were not exactly becoming to members of the church. Why not run your hotels on their merits? If a hotel will not advertise itself and retain its regular and transient guests there is not much hope for it. Underhand work may do for a while, but truth, like murder, will out. Take the law and principle of the philosopher of "the survival of the fittist," remembering that merit always wins.

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Some folks have very peculiar ways. Some boys especially. They appear egotistical; seem to think they are the "only pebbles on the beach." They give one girl the "dead rush" until she goes to a place where things are not "so warm." They rush another until from the natural order of things, she leaves. And now, this worthy individual is making another "center rush" which bids fair to eclipse all other "star plays" made by him. Being an "ideal" boy, we wish him much success.

THE WOMAN ABOUT TOWN.

HONOR ROLL

Of Vincent Free School for Month Ending Jan. 7, '98.

Seventh Grade—Nellie Kidd, Fannie Clements.

Sixth Grade—Ethel Kidd, Edgar Kidd.

Fifth Grade—Brindly Elliott, Zada Davis, Opal Kidd, Frank Clements, Ella Williams.

Fourth Grade—Laura Elliott, Otis Evans, Ethel Bilbrey, Nannie Davis, May Chandler, May Bell, Annie Williams.

Third Grade—Mary Anna McGraw, Percy Pitts, Olive Williams, Hattie Davis, Annie M. Kidd.

No cure—No pay.

That is the way all druggist sell Grove's tasteless chill tonic for malaria, chill and fever. It is simply Iron and quinine in a tasteless form. Children love it. Adults prefer it to bitter, nauseating tonics. Price, 50c. For sale by HALL DRUG CO.

July 15, 1y.

Vincent.

We are glad to state that Miss Eva Samuel is convalescing.

M. A. Jennings, our clever Justice, had the misfortune to loose his barn by fire last week. He had it filled with a splendid harvest and all was lost. The cause of the fire unknown.

Miss Minnie Pelham is still on the sick list.

J. S. Pitts and lady and Mr. G. C. Pitts and Miss Vincent attended preaching at Harpersville Sunday and heard the new preacher, Mr. Burns. He preached an excellent sermon, and Harpersville is to be congratulated on securing the services of such a grand man.

Mr. Jim Samuel, of Childersburg, was in our town Sunday a few moments only, on his way to Harpersville. The attraction is all down there for him it seems.

Bob is still dragging the fox hide, and its hard to tell which makes the most fuss, the dogs or the men.

Our worthy editor was in our midst last week and was looking well pleased over something. Some of the correspondents must be helping him out, as previously suggested.

Mr. Tommie Elliott has accepted a position with Waits & Maddox at Easonville We regret to loose Tommie, but our loss is Easonville's gain.

OCCASIONAL.

Among the Octogenarians.

In my pastoral visitations I called to see Rev Jno. McGiboney and his wife Nancy McGiboney. He is 85 years old and she is 80. They have been married for sixty-five years. He has been a local Methodist preacher for forty years. They reared a family of ten children to be grown, three of whom have passed over the river. One, a son, was a member of the North Alabama Conference, M. E. Church South. He died on the Pelham circuit four years ago, leaving a widow and two boys. She is now living in Burwell, Carrol County, Ga.

Grandpa McGiboney has been most of the time in Shelby County. He lived first near Montevallo; since then he has resided in and near Columbiana. He has preached extensively throughout this section of country

Grandma McGiboney was a large healthy lady, weighing 160 pounds. Father McGiboney says she was pretty, by which remark we know how completely she had won his heart and still holds sway in his affections. They were living in Columbiana when the present Methodist church was dedicated by Bishop James O. Andrews in the early fifties. She has suffered from rheumatism for twenty years. He does not remember a period in forty years when they did not have family prayers. His children are all members of the Methodist Chruch, and also many if not all his grandchildren.

What a wonderful living illustration of the great goodness of God and the power of His grace to keep these two in the world for sixty-five years amid its sins and follies, so that they now can say, "We have always done what we believed to be right."

They are now patiently awaiting "till their change comes." How anyone can contend that there is nothing but a mere whim in religion with such practical demonstrations of the power, beauty, and benefits of religion before them, is a mystery.

Come, ye living sons of sorrow, and behold the mighty triumphs of grace under the reign of the Son of God, as seen in the blessed fruits of righteousness and early piety.

Cordially,

SAMUEL N. BURNS.

The Coming Woman.

Who goes to the club while her husband tends the baby, as well as the good old-fashioned woman who looks after her home, will both at times get run down in health. They will be troubled with loss of appetite, headaches, sleeplessness, fainting or dizzy spells. The most wonderful remedy for these women is Electric Bitters. Thousands of sufferers from Lame Back and Weak Kidneys rise up and call it blessed. It is the medicine for women. Female complaints and Nervous troubles of all kinds are soon relieved by the use of Electric Bitters. Delicate women should keep this remedy on hand to build up the system. Only 50 cents per bottle. For sale by Hall Drug Co.

No Cure--No Pay.

That is the way Porter's Antiseptic Healing Oil is sold for Barbed Wire Cuts, Burns, Scratches, Cracked Heel, Saddle Galls, Old Sores and all kinds of inflamations on man or beast. Price 25 cents. For sale by HALL DRUG CO.

July 21, 1y.

Lewis Blows.

Health very good.

Mrs. Sam Finley has been quite sick, but is now convalescent.

Rev. S. S. Crumpton preached a good sermon at the Center school house Sunday.

The singing at J. S. Jackson's Sunday night, we are glad to state, was a grand success, and was greatly enjoyed by all present.

Rev. Francis, the new preacher on the Blue Spring circuit, preached an able and interesting sermon at Blue Spring Sunday at 3 p. m., to a large audience.

The singing at Mr. Miner's Saturday night, we are glad to say, was a success.

G. W. Riddle paid Jackson's Mill a pleasant visit Sunday evening, and called on his (dear,) and reported a grand and lovely time. We are glad you are enjoying your trips so well Willie.

Miss Mary Vessell, of Talladega county, is visiting relatives in these parts, much to the delight of some of our boys. How about it L. B. R?

Frank, of Jackson's Mill, I am greatly surprised at you, for thinking that the Advocate would be better off without my sentiments. Why Frank, you surely think everybody likes to read after you. Now you vaggabond, you had better stop your locals or write about something else besides John Powell. You must think he is very easy controled.

Mr. Editor: Since my last communication, my friend David Stone has had his nose all turned up at Sager for saying he had such a smile. He said it was just a frown and an unmerciful one. I am truly sorry that I was so badly mistaken, and hope he will pardon me for so doing.

SAGER.

Farmer Points

Misses Martha and Rosa Merrell, we learn, were visiting friends Sunday at Farmer.

Miss Roxie Curlee and her guest Mr. Willie Horton, took a pleasure walk to Keywahatchie Sunday evening. There they decided to take a pleasure ride, and boarded the train for Shelby. They report having a very nice time. Call again Mr. Willie.

Prof. E R. Newman, who is teaching at Pine Flat, we learn, has a flourishing school. Success to you Prof.

The farmers are falling on a good plan in this community, sowing grain and clearing land and raising more hog and harmony, and leaving off so much cotton. So much for that. Brother farmers stick to the plan.

We hear of several wedding bells that will ring soon. Ring on bells, we like cake and hope to have a stool to each wedding.

We learn that A. D. Horton, of near Spring Junction, was the guest of Miss Ada Curlee Sunday.

We learn that Mrs. J. M. Partridge is no better.

Little Charlie McLane, son of J. H. McLane, we learn, fell and broke his leg again Sunday. We are sorry of his misfortune.

Miss Belle Seale, who is teaching at Center Point, has a very good school.

We learn that Mr. O. K. C., was in town last week pricing household and kitchen furniture He. has rented a farm. We can't say what will happen, but have an idea What about it Mr. O. K. C?

ROPE.

Cottage Home.

Health of community good.

We are having some very cold weather at present, and all that have their hogs fat are making good use of the time.

Holcombe & Carden have finished up ginning, and have gined 205 bales this season, the most ever gined at that stand. They have made arrangements to put in another gin next season.

Well, the political pot boiled over last week, and left two candidates in the field, and probably another in sight. The Bridgeton correspondent last week spoke of A. P. Longshore as a suitable man for Probate Judge. Thats the man that beat 8 wants, as we need a man that understands the law in the probate office. While we have other good men, none so well qualified as A. P. Longshore. Let us hear from every beat in the county through the Advocate, and we will see who we all want.

Success to the Advocate.

CITIZEN.

TO OUR FRIENDS.

Having bought out J. E. Seale & Co., in the drug business, we take this method of informing our friends that we propose to continue the business at the old stand.

All accounts due J. E. Seale & Co., will be paid to us, and all claims against said firm will be presented to us for payment.

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We earnestly solicit your patronage, and will always save you some money when possible to do so.

RESPECTFULLY,

Hall Drug Company,
Columbiana, Ala.

Yellow Leaf.

Health of community very good at present.

John W. Moore, of Sterrett, attended service Sunday at Union.

James Walton and family, of Six Mile, are visiting his father's family this week. We were glad to see them.

C. W. Spearman was the guest of Mis Ida Cowart Sunday.

Frank, you asked me what made the yellow pony stay at home last Sunday. Why, it fell down and hurt its leg, but the rider did not stay at home, nor will he stay at home the next time.

Walter Lowery was the guest of Miss Mattie Henderson last Sunday evening.

The singing at J. W. Kytle's was a success, and everybody enjoyed it.

Rev. Mr. Davis, pastor of the Union Methodist church, preached an excellent sermon Sunday to an attentive congregation.

Charlie Archer moved to his place on Beeswax last week. We are sorry to loose so good a neighbor.

YOUNG JOE.

Bridgeton Klondikes.

Mrs. R. F. Cox, who has been lingering for several days with pneumonia, was on the mend, but is now having chills. We hope she will soon be at herself again.

Miss Fannie Copeland, of Birmingham, is here to spend a week with friends. The boys—not the girls—are happy.

The pound party given by Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Lee on Friday night, was one of the most enjoyable occasions of the season.

Who got the cake in the cake waltz contest? Mr. Joe McLaughlin and Mrs. Caroline Lee. Next best, Mr. Geo. DeShazo and Mrs. Geo. DeShazo. Forty crying babies and forty-one sorry husbands at all occasions like this makes things lively. Please let all the married folks attend regularly hereafter. Messrs. W. N. Lee and Caisia DeShazo furnished the music for the occasion.

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PROGRAM

Of Teachers Institute to be Held at Fourmile, February 11, and 12, 1898.

FRIDAY.

Song.
Prayer.
Welcome address—J. B. Ferrell.
Response—Rev. S. S. Crumpton.
Song—Choir.
Necessary preparation for the vocation of teaching—Fuller Mynatt.
Discipline, proper and unproper punishment, paper--Mrs. Kate Wallace.
Observance of national holidays by schools—C. A. Mathews and W. C. Carpenter.
How to teach children to investigate for themselves—C. C. Stamps and T. A. Huston.
How should primary arithmetic be taught "class work"—J. H. Mooney and W. P. Lovett.
How to teach civil government—A. G. Spinks and J. P. Kinnett.
Best method of teaching primary geography "some class work"—J. A. Spearman.

SATURDAY.

Same on reading—Miss Kate Tarrant.
How can the teachers of the State be brought into a higher state of efficiency—J. E. Bird and J. C. Burgner.
How can popular interest in education be aroused and maintained—J. M. Baldwin and A. M. Williamson.
What are the aims of an education—by the Institute.
The grading of country schools—Prof. C. H. Florey.
Should the authority of the teacher extend beyond the school hours and the school grounds?—by teachers of the Institute.
Resolutions.
Adjournment.

EUGENE WILLIAMS,
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Non-Resident Notice.

State of Alabama, Shelby County. } Probate Court, Special Term, Jan. 17th, 1898.

This day came Mary T. Taylor and her husband J. N. Taylor, and filed in this court their application in writing, alleging that they and John Jones, Emeline Searight and Mariah Sanders are the joint owners of certain real property described in their said petition, and that said property can not be equitably partitioned or divided without a sale thereof, and asking for an order to sell same. The 21st day of February, 1898, was appointed a day for the hearing of said petition; and, as it appears that the said John Jones, Emeline Searight and Mariah Sanders, reside without this State, in the State of Texas, their postoffice being unknown. It is, therefore, ordered that notice of said petition, and of the time and place set for hearing the same, be given by publication for three successive weaks in the People's Advocate, a newspaper published in Columbiana, in said county.

D. R. MCMILLAN,
jan. 20-3. Judge of Probate.

Wonderful Originality.

Miss Dashleigh—George Hamby is very original, isn't he?

Miss Hapgood—I never noticed it. What has he done that was original?

Miss Dashleigh—He handed me a box of candy last night and didn't say, "Sweets to the sweet."

Works Both Ways.

She—If it wasn't for the old bachelors there would be no flirts.

He—If it wasn't for the flirts there would be no old bachelors.

Gentle Hint.

Mrs. Citybred—Mercy! You don't mean to say you stay here all winter? I should think you'd die.

Mrs. Countrycousin—Oh, it isn't so bad. We are not at all troubled by visitors from town.—Boston Transcript.

A Surprise Party.

"What's Mrs. Breezely in such a stew about?"

"She asked the pleasure of Lieut. Slick's company to tea, and he appeared on the scene with forty of his men."—Detroit Free Press.

It's Plausible.

May—I wonder why Cupid is always represented as a baby?

Jack—Probably he catches cold and meets with an early death, owing to an insufficient amount of wearing apparel.

Guarded His Grave.

The relatives of Joseph Sullivan, who died in Oakland, Cal., recently and was 7 feet 8 inches in height, have put a guard over his grave, fearing that a showman will steal his body.

No Use to Cry.

No use to fret and worry and itch and scratch. That won't cure you. Tetterine will. Any sort of skin disease, Tetter, Eczema, Salt Rheum, Ringworm or mere abrasion of the skin. At drug stores, or by mail for 50c. in stamps from J. T. Shuptrine, Savannah, Ga.

Catarrh Cannot Be Cured

With local applications, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surface. Hall's Catarrh Cure is not a quack medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years, and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing catarrh. Send for testimonials free.

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Salzer's seeds never fail. They sprout, grow and produce every time. We wish to get 200,000 new customers this year, hence this trial offer of

1 pkg. Earliest Red Beet	10c
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Now, John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., will mail you free all of above 10 splendid novelties and their great plant and seed catalogue, upon receipt of this notice and 14 cents postage. A C. 9

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Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children teething, softens the gums, reducing inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c. a bottle.

For Whooping Cough, Piso's Cure is a successful remedy.—M. P. Dieter, 67 Throop Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y., Nov. 14, 1894.

Grand opera has been given in Paris for the past five years at an average annual loss of $180,000.

A Cherokee Indian, now in Washington, is named Simon Walkingstick.

Use "C C C" Certain Chill Cure. Best in the world. Certain Cure Co., Evansville, Ind.

A tilemaker named Guillout, his wife and four children have committed suicide by the use of charcoal fumes at Choisy-le-Roy, France. Poverty was the cause of their self-destruction.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c

The emperor of China, who was carefully educated by an American missionary, can speak and read the English language fluently.

Chew Star Tobacco—The Best.
Smoke Sledge Cigarettes.

Some surprise is occasioned by the fact that the sword bayonets of British troops in Ireland are being sharpened as fast as possible.

Hood's Sarsaparilla
Absolutely cures scrofula,
Salt rheum,
Dyspepsia, rheumatism,
Catarrh and all diseases
Originating in or promoted
By impure blood. It is
The great nerve tonic,
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FIFTY-FIFTH CONGRESS.

The House—Monday.

The civil service debate was again resumed today. The opponents of the law had much the best of the debate as far as the numbers of those engaging in it were concerned. Nine of the eleven speakers were of the opposition. The friends of the law are very anxious to shut off further debate and in this will have the co-operation of the speaker and the rules committee. Mr. Moody, who has charge of the bill, gave notice that he would test the sense of the house tomorrow on a motion to close debate. The opposition immediately sent word to all in their ranks to be on hand, and they say they will have no difficulty in defeating the motion. The entire day was consumed by the debate, when at 5 o'clock the house adjourned.

The Senate.

A bill was reported favorably from the Indian committee prohibiting railroad companies from charging more than 3 cents a mile for passengers through the Indian territory.... A resolution looking to the filtration of water used in the city of Washington was referred to the District of Columbia committee.... At 12:30 p. m., the senate went into executive session to consider the Hawaiian annexation treaty. The treaty was not taken up immediately in the executive session, as a number of nominations were at first confirmed. Immediately after the treaty was called up Senator Pettigrew offered his motion for conducting the debate on it with open doors, which was antagonized by Senator Davis, chairman of the committee on foreign relations, and others. A majority of those favoring open doors are opposed to ratification, but not all of them are on that side of the main controversy. The senate decided not to debate the Hawaiian treaty in open session, and at 3:45 p. m. adjourned.

The House—Tuesday.

The civil service debate, which was inaugurated in the house a few weeks ago, ended to-day. It opened with a row, but ended very tamely. There was not even a vote on the appropriation in the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill for the civil service commission. The republicans, who were seeking to modify or repeal the law, decided to let the debate come to a close to-day, but it required the casting vote of the speaker to accomplish this. There is conflicting statements as to the situation in which the future conduct of the war against the civil service law is left. All the republican opponents of the law agree that the fight is to be kept up. It is understood that an opportunity will be given in the future for the consideration of a bill to modify the law. The debate to-day was quite dull until the closing hour, when Mr. Simpson enlivened it with reference to the Ohio senatorial election. Mr. Bailey made a clear statement of the minority position, which indicates that the minority will vote to repeal, but not to modify the law. The principal speech of the day was made by Mr. Brosius, chairman of the civil service committee, who defended the law in a two hours' speech.

The Senate.

The senate today briefly discussed an adverse report by the pensions committee on a bill to pension General Meade's two daughters at $100 a month each, Chairman Gallinger saying the committee did not wish to enter on the pensioning of daughters of veterans. Senator Allen, of Nebraska, thought that General Meade's service justified such liberality. No action was taken and after Senator Wolcott, of Colorado, announced a speech on the money question for next Monday, Senator Fairbanks addressed the senate on immigration. After this speech the Hawaiian treaty was taken up in executive session.... Mr. Allen secured the adoption of a resolution calling upon the president for information in his possession relative to the boundary line between Venezuela and British Guinea, and to inform the senate whether the United States now has any clerks or other employes at work upon the Venezuelan boundary question and also what part of the $100,000 appropriated for the Venezuelan commission has been expended.... At 3:45 p. m. the senate adjourned.

The House—Wednesday.

The house today passed an urgent deficiency bill carrying $1,741,843. One of the items, authorizing a further expenditure of $520,000 for the soldiers' home at Danville, Ill., for which $150,000 was appropriated in the last sundry civil bill, was used by Mr. DeArmond, of Missouri, as a basis for a bitter personal attack upon Chairman Cannon, whose home is at Danville. Mr. DeArmond moved to strike out the paragraph appropriating $100,000 for the construction of barracks at the soldiers' home established at Danville. He called attention to the fact that when the sundry civil bill passed at the last session carrying $150,000 for the establishment of the Danville home it was then stated that was all the money which would be asked for. Mr. DeArmond was exceedingly caustic in his criticism of Mr. Cannon, who, he said, after using his power on the appropriations committee to get that soldiers' home located at his home town, was trying to take a half million more out of the treasury. Mr. Cannon, in his reply, was as sarcastic as his adversary. Several members spoke briefly of the testimony, showing the necessity for a soldiers' home in the Mississippi valley, and the propriety of locating it at Danville. Mr. DeArmond's motion was then defeated without division. There was also a lively debate over the provisions in the bill requiring the owners of bullion hereafter to pay the cost of transporting bullion from assay offices to the mints. The house then adjourned.

The Senate.

Mr. Chandler, of the committee on naval affairs in the senate today, secured the passage of a resolution asking the secretary of the navy to furnish a list of the active officers of the navy in each corps, together with those who are at sea or on shore duty and on waiting orders. At 12:25 p. m. the senate, on motion of Mr. Davis, went into executive session and Mr. Davis continued his speech on the Hawaiian question. Mr. Davis' speech today was devoted largely to a presentation of the strategic features of annexation. He displayed a chart showing the location of Hawaii relative to this country and to Asia. One of the points brought out with considerable elaboration was the probable effect on the Nicaragua canal, of the occupation of the islands by some foreign power. He illustrated by a reference to the map showing that Hawaii was in a straight line between the western terminus of the canal and Japan and China. The nation, he said, which controls Hawaii, will control that great gateway of commerce, and the guns planted upon Hawaii would be pointed directly at the mouth of the canal. Senator Allen, of Nebraska, followed in opposition to the treaty. He called attention to the distance of Hawaii from our own shores, referred to the necessity we would be under of defending the islands in case of war, and claimed that on this account it would be necessary for the United States to establish and maintain a separate fleet for their protection, as well as an army on the islands. The senate then adjourned.

The House—Thursday.

The house today entered upon the consideration of the agricultural appropriation bill. The bill carries $3,323,302, being $135,500 in excess of the amount for the current year. Mr. Wadsworth, of New York, chairman of the agricultural committee, explained that the increases were due to the growing demand for inspections of meat and meat products for export.... Under the latitude allowed for debate, Mr. Williams, of Mississippi, submitted an extended argument in favor of the establishment of the postal savings bank system.... After some remarks by Mr. Henderson, of Iowa, in support of the appropriation in the bill for seed distribution and in eulogy of Secretary of Agriculture Wilson, whom he described as a genuine hard-fisted farmer, Mr. DeArmond, of Missouri, got the floor and submitted some sarcastic comments on the report of the election of Senator Hanna, at Columbus yesterday. He read the telegram sent by Mr. Hanna to President McKinley: "God reigns and the republican party still lives," from which the basis of his remarks were taken.... An amendment was offered to strike out the appropriation for seed distribution, which was defeated by a vote of 119 to 115.... After a sharp debate an amendment appropriating $105,000 for the publication and distribution of 150,000 copies of the "horse book" was adopted, 115 to 103. The house then adjourned.

The Senate.

Among the measures reported to the senate today was the pension appropriation bill. It was placed on the calendar. At the conclusion of the morning business the immigration bill, the unfinished business, was taken up, and Mr. Caffery, of Louisiana, was recognized for a speech in opposition to the measure.... Eulogies in memory of Senator Harris, of Tennessee, which were to have been presented today were postponed.... The senate did not make great progress with the Hawaiian annexation treaty. Several speeches were delivered, but in every instance the speakers announced that today's remarks were merely preliminary to what they should say before the close of the senate. Senator Morgan, of Alabama, made the principal speech of the day.

Senator Cannon, of Utah, presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

"Resolved, That the president is requested, if in his opinion it is not incompatible with the public interest, to transmit to the senate at his earliest convenience a statement showing what measures are in force by this government in the Island of Cuba and in waters contiguous thereto, to protect the lives and property of American citizens now living in Cuba."

At 4:50 the senate adjourned.

The House—Friday.

The house managers decided not to proceed with the consideration of the diplomatic and consular appropriation bill today, but to give the day for the consideration of private bills. This was doubtless done to avert the possibility of precipitating a sensational Cuban debate during the consideration of the appropriation bill. When the house adjourned last night the amendment to the agricultural appropriation bill providing for the publication of another edition of "Horse Book" was pending. Today the friends of the amendment compromised with the appropriation committee by agreeing to a reduction of the number to be printed from 150,000 to 75,000. An amendment to the amendment was adopted and the bill was passed.... The resolution was adopted accepting the invitation of the government of Norway to participate in the international fisheries exposition at Bergen from May to September, 1898.... The senate bill to refer to the court of claims the claim of the corporation of the book agents of the Methodist church, south, was next taken up. Mr. Cooper, of Texas, in charge of the bill, moved as a substitute a bill appropriating $288,000 for the full settlement of this claim. The property of the corporation, which was located at Nashville, Tenn., was seized and held by the United States from 1862 to 1866, when it was turned over to the owners. After a lengthy discussion the bill went over until tomorrow and the house adjourned.

The Senate.

After the transaction of some routine business in the senate to-day Mr. Hoar, of Massachusetts, presented the following resolution, proposing an amendment to the constitution: "That the following article be proposed to the legislatures of the several states as an amendment to the constitution of the United States: The term of office of senators and members of the Fifty-sixth congress shall continue until the 30th day of April in the year 1899 at noon. The senators whose existing terms would otherwise expire on the 4th day of March in the year 1899, or thereafter, shall continue in office until noon of the 30th day of April, succeeding such expiration; and the 30th day of April, at noon, shall thereafter be substituted for the 4th of March as the commencement and termination of the official term of president, vice-president, senators and representatives in congress." The resolution was referred to the committee on privileges and elections.... Mr. Pettus, of Alabama, secured the passage of a bill to regulate the duties of the United States judges in the district courts in Alabama.... Almost the entire four hours of the executive session of the senate to-day was devoted to the indirect consideration of the nomination of Hon. Joseph McKenna, now attorney-general, to be associate justice of the supreme court. Upon agreement consideration was deferred until a week from to-day.... Consideration of the Hawaiian treaty was postponed until next Monday.

The House—Saturday.

The house devoted two hours to general debate on the army appropriation bill and the remainder of the day to eulogizing the life and public services of the late Representative Seth W. Milliken, of Maine, who served for fourteen years in the lower branch of congress.... On motion of Mr. Lanham, of Texas, a bill was passed authorizing the president to appoint an additional district judge for the northern district of Texas. It was evident that Judge Rector, now the judge of that district, was utterly incapacitated from performing the duties of his office.... The house then went into committee of the whole and took up the consideration of the army appropriation bill. The bill, Chairman Hull, of the military committee, explained, carried $23,185,990, which was $1,039,750 less than the estimates and $56,746 in excess of the law for the current year. The increase in the pay of the army was due to the fact that the army was nearer its maximum strength than heretofore. At 2 o'clock debate was suspended to give the members an opportunity to pay tribute to the memory of the late Representative Milliken, of Maine, and as a further mark of the respect, the house at 3:25 p. m. adjourned.

TERSELY TOLD TELEGRAMS.

Fire destroyed $65,000 worth of property at Wharton, Tex.

The inauguration of Governor Shaw, of Iowa, took place last Thursday.

The deaths from the plague at Bombay, India, during the past week numbered 450.

A new hand cancellation stamp will soon be introduced by the postoffice department.

Judge William D. Hardin, a prominent Georgian living at Savannah, died the past week.

In Mexico City four Americans have been arrested, being suspected of complicity in robberies of great magnitude.

N. L. Marmon, a prominent attorney of Memphis, Tenn., and a former resident of Oxford, Miss., was found dead in his bed last week.

China asserts that Port Arthur was ceded to Russia because there were war clouds and all the Powers seemed anxious for parts of China.

At Huntsville, Tenn., Friday morning Henry Bunn and W. D. Russell were caught in a fall of slate at the Almy Point mines. Bunn was killed outright and Russell, it is thought, will die.

At Lewiston, Me., 500 weavers of the Androscoggin mills unanimously voted to strike on Monday, January 17, the date on which the reduction takes place.

William Tyler, cousin of President John Tyler, died at Jonesboro, Tenn., aged eighty-five. He lived in a house occupied by General John Sevier in the early days of Tennessee.

Senora Ponce de Roque, wife of the insurgent Compte de Roque, arrived on the steamer Seneca at New York Thursday. Mrs. De Roque, who is a strikingly beautiful woman, was exiled from Cuba by order of General Blanco.

At Cartersville, Ga., Hampton Miller, aged 21, while loading a large log on a carriage at his father's saw mill, lost his footing and fell over on a saw and was sawed nearly in two. He is not expected to live.

At Frankfort, Ky., Representative Saunders, democrat, of Union county, introduced a resolution in the Kentucky house of representatives questioning the democracy of United States Senator Lindsay and asking him to resign.

Will Smith, son of W. M. Smith, a well-known farmer of Chickamauga, Tenn., while hunting, fired both barrels of his gun, which had been overcharged. The recoil struck him in the stomach, from the effects of which he died shortly after.

An unknown man threw himself, or accidentally fell, from a parapet of the bridge over Harlem river, New York, a distance of 147 feet into the river below, and will live. The distance is twelve feet more than that traveled by the Brooklyn bridge jumpers.

What was claimed to be the biggest hog in the world died at Columbus, Ga. It was the property of Frank Williams, of Phenix City, and weighed over a thousand pounds. The animal was over four feet high, was seven feet and nine inches in girth, and was about ten feet long.

Two More Victims.

Two names were added Friday to the death list of victims of Tuesday night's tornado at Fort Smith, Ark. They were Ann Savage and H. C. Hunter. This makes the total number of dead forty-five. It is believed that at least two more bodies are under the ruins of the Burgess hotel. The cook and a man named Ennis are missing. Of the wounded, three are expected to die, and it is now certain that the death list will exceed fifty.

"Editor" Blanco Issues a Decree.

Captain-General Blanco has issued a decree prohibiting the publication in the daily newspapers of cable dispatches without previous censorship, and without twelve hours notice of their receipt. In addition, the postoffice at Havana will detain national and foreign newspapers not having been previously censored. Violators of the law are warned that they are under military jurisdiction.

Work is progressing rapidly on the Alabama & Atlanta Air Line near Selma, and by the first of March there will be no less than 2,000 hands employed on this line.

About two years ago the Cincinnati Street Railway Company laid some steel ties experimentally, but nothing has been heard of steel ties for a long time. Recent examination of these ties show such good results that the company will now lay a considerable number of them.

LIEN ON FALSE TEETH.

A Dentist Thinks His Work as Good as That of a Carpenter.

"Say," he said, as he broke ruthlessly into a lawyer's office, "I've got a job for you."

"That's what I'm here for," said the lawyer. "State your case and I'll make a fee pretty quick."

"Well, it's this way," said the dentist, for that's what he was, "I made a set of false teeth for a scalawag a few weeks ago, and made 'em on the installment plan. The feller paid me a dollar down, and he was to pay me a dollar a week for ten weeks, and I was to have a lien on the teeth until they were paid for. Now he's quit paying and won't let me have the molars. Says they hurt his jaw, but I take notice they never affected his cheek very much."

"Did you give him a bill for 'em?"

"No. Never gave him anything but the teeth."

"Have no agreement in writing for a chattel mortgage specifying the kind of plates, and the gums, and the number of teeth?"

"No. I tell you I didn't have anything, and I ain't got anything yet. What I want to know is, haven't I got a mechanic's lien on them teeth? Didn't I work on 'em, and isn't my work as good as a carpenter's or a bricklayer's?"

"Well, I hardly think a mechanic's lien covers your case. I don't think you can get them back."

"What would they do to me if I held him up and took 'em out of his mouth and went off with 'em?"

"Maybe they could hold you for petit larceny. If you can catch him in his room asleep, and attach them by getting out a writ, maybe you can get him to come to taw, but that would cost you more than the teeth are worth. I guess you're in for it this time."

"Well, I won't get in that kind of a hole again, I'll bet you. I'll go to some of these fellers running for the Legislature, and I'll make them promise to pass a law giving us dentists a lien on the teeth we make, good till they're paid for."

"That's right; that's a good idea. Two dollars, please. Call again."

Worked Both Ways.

Author—This is an unappreciative world. Why, if I had written what Faddest has written I wouldn't be famous.

Critic—That may be true, and if Faddest had written the stuff you write he wouldn't be famous, either.

A Jockey's Epitaph.

Graven upon the tombstone of a jockey who has just been buried in a New Zealand cemetery are the simple words, "He has passed the post."

Gained Forty-Eight Pounds.

"I had a strong appetite for liquor, which was the beginning of the breaking down of my health. I was also a slave to tea and coffee drinking. I took the gold cure, but it did not help me."

This is a portion of an interview clipped from the *Daily Herald*, of Clinton, Iowa. It might well be taken for the subject of a temperance lecture, but that is not our object in publishing it. It is to show how a system, run down by drink and disease, may be restored. We cannot do better than quote further from the same:

I RETIRED TO CITY LIFE.

"For years I was unable to do my work. I could not sleep nights or rest days on account of continuous pains in my stomach and back. I was unable to digest my food. Headaches and painful urination were frequent, and my heart's action became increased. I left my farm and retired to city life, for I was a confirmed invalid, and the doctors said I would never be well again.

"Soon after I happened to use four boxes of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, and since then I have been free from all pain, headache and dyspepsia. I eat heartily and have no appetite for strong drink or tea or coffee, and feel twenty years younger.

"*My weight has increased* 48 pounds. I cannot say too much for Dr. Williams' Pink Pills and claim that they have cured me.

"John B. Cook."

Subscribed and sworn to before me this sixteenth day of February, 1897.

A. P. Barker, *Notary Public.*

To people run down in health, from whatever cause—drink or disease—the above interview will be of interest. The truth of it is undoubted, as the statement is sworn to, and we reproduce the oath here. For any further facts concerning this medicine write to Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, Schenectady, N. Y.

The name and address of the subject of above interview is John B. Cook. of 208 South 5th Street, Lyon, Iowa.

Riders Face Each Other.

A patent has been taken out for a wheel built like a single one, but with a seat in front of the handle-bars. The front rider faces the occupant of the

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regular seat and works the same pedals as the rear rider. The pedals have two foot rests, one above the other.

Domestic Scene in 1950.

"Say, pa," inquired little Johnny Sprockett, "what is a pedestrian?"

"A pedestrian?" repeated Mr. Sprockett, scratching his head in a thoughtful manner. "Pe-des-tri-an," he mused. "Let me see! Oh, yes, of course. Why, that is what they used to call people when they walked."—Ohio State Journal.

All the money dropped in speculation is dropped by men who are trying to pick it up.

Strong Evidence.

He—Why, look here! Jenkyns has gone insane.

Young Mamma—Well, I knew there was something queer about him. Why, once the poor man actually told me his little son was neither bright, beautiful nor particularly well behaved.—Truth.

Based on Experience.

Tom—I wonder why it is that Hawkins has but little respect for old age!

Jack—Probably it's because of his long acquaintance with boarding house poultry.

Many mean men are men of means.

A Progressive Woman.

Walker—I'm very much afraid my wife is going to have brain trouble.

Ryder—What makes you think so?

Walker—Last Sunday when she returned from church she repeated the text, and never said a word about what the other women had on.

Music is rather more difficult to transmit than articulate speech, so that the recent experiments of transmitting music 860 miles is unique. This was between San Diego and San Francisco, the San Diego State Guard Band playing to a San Francisco audience. It is stated that the transmission was remarkably fine, the music being very plainly heard at the end of the line.

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He—Yes; but they're very indistinct. You see, the photos have faded at one end of the list, and the subject at the other.—Truth.

The use of mourning envelopes does not render a person liable to arrest for blackmail.

Some people go without what they want in order to get something they don't want.

BISHOPS DON'T LIE.

A Legacy from Two Bishops.

Two of the brightest lights the Southern Methodist Church has ever had were the late Bishops Doggett and Kavanaugh, who, before they went to their reward, left Dr. M. A. Simmons Liver Medicine a legacy which has not only been of value to us, but has proven a boon to suffering humanity.

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D. S. Doggett.

From Bishop Kavanaugh:

The following is from Rev. Bishop H. H. Kavanaugh, D. D. to Dr. M. A. Simmons, March, 1861: "I confess that I have been reluctant to figure in advertisements in regard to medicines, but feel myself so much a debtor to your "VEGETABLE LIVER-MEDICINE," that I feel it a sense of gratitude on my own part, and justice to the public requires that I should waive this objection, and allow you to publish whatever I may have written in regard to the character and value of your medicines. May many a sufferer be as much benefited by them as I have been." H. H. Kavanaugh.

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Rev. Dr. Crisman cured of Dyspepsia and Rheumatism.

Edgefield Cumberland Presbyterian Church,
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E. B. Crisman.

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"THE LOVE OF COUNTRY GUIDES."

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Mulhall estimates that the civilized nations pay annually $13,700,000,000 for food.

A statement is going about that one in every ten of the people of Hawaii have the leprosy. "This is an exaggeration," says the San Francisco Chronicle. "The ratio is about one in one hundred, and the disease is chiefly confined to the natives, who do not avoid the plague where such a course would interfere with their family or social relations. It is rarely that a white man succumbs to leprosy, and one may live in Honolulu for years without seeing a case of it."

The Sultan has forbidden the use of the bicycle in Turkey, on the ground that it "is immoral and dangerous to the State." Some enterprising manufacturer would probably be able to overcome his Majesty's objections to the wheel by presenting him with a revised edition of a "bicycle built for two"—a bicycle built for a harem.

No matter what other countries may think of women as sea captains, England does not favor them, officially at least. Recently Lady Ernestine Brudenell-Bruce made an application to the Board of Trade for a certificate giving her the privilege to sail her own yacht as master, but the Board refused it on the ground that "no application for such a certificate had ever been received from a lady."

London has about 700 firemen, while New York has about 1,300 in actual service of all grades. London pays its firemen $516 a year, while New York pays $1,000, $1,200 and $1,400 a year, according to the length of service, while the officers receive salaries in proportion. The total expenditure for maintenance and outlay of all kinds for the London fire department in the year ending March 30, 1893, was $750,000. This also includes what was disbursed for pensions. The cost of maintenance of the New York fire department for about the same period was $2,305,645, without the payments which were made for pensions.

The municipal authorities of Paris are just now engaged in the suppression of an altogether novel form of food adulteration which is assuming phenomenal proportions, says the New York Tribune. Real oysters are expensive in Paris, and so, with the object of suiting slender purses, artificial oysters on the half shell have been invented, which are sold at twenty cents a dozen, and they are so cleverly made and look so nice and fresh that, once lemon juice or vinegar has been added, they cannot be distinguished from the real article, especially when white wine is taken in connection therewith. The only genuine thing about these oysters is the shell, the manufacturers buying second-hand shells at a small cost, and fastening the spurious oyster in place with a tasteless paste. The municipal laboratory has not yet proclaimed the ingredients of which these bogus oysters are composed, but has announced that they are of a harmful character.

What field of research is too insignificant for the enterprising statistician to explore? This question is suggested to the Atlanta Constitution by the almost infinite array of figures which some clever genius in this line has marshaled out, showing the universal popularity of the inconspicuous hen egg. As the statistician in question is a German, the figures which he cites apply to that empire alone, but from the light which they throw upon the subject generally, some idea may be obtained as to the hen egg's popularity in other countries. Basing his calculations upon the showing for 1896 the statistician figures out that 50,000,000 hens in Germany during that year laid not less than 3,500,000,000 eggs, but that even this enormous quantity was not sufficient to supply the national demand. Imports for that year, in addition to the home product, aggregated 720,000,000 eggs, purchased from Russia, Austria-Hungary, Italy and Holland. Most countries are fortunate enough to produce hen eggs in sufficient abundance to fully satisfy their home demands, and why Germany has never been able to do this is something which cannot be readily explained. Importation is not calculated to improve the character of such products, and the fact that Germany is obliged to import them must be accepted as conclusive proof that she has exhausted every effort to satisfy her demand in the home market. On the basis of what Germany consumes annually, the statistician from whom we quote reasons that the world's consumption of hen eggs must closely approximate the prodigious aggregation of 600,000,000,000 eggs annually.

A BRIEF RESUME OF STATE NEWS.

Big Trade in Coal With the Planters of Louisiana---President Culver Appoints His Committee for the Alabama State Agricultural Society---New Code for Alabama to Go Into Effect---Indian Head Cotton Mills Put in Operation---Desperate Attempt of a Burglar---A Wild Man.

AGRICULTURAL COMMITTEE.

President Culver Has Made His Appointments.

The Alabama State Agricultural Society is perfecting itself, and will soon be a power in the state for the good of the farmers and land owners.

Commissioner of Agriculture Culver, as president of the agricultural society, has appointed the following executive committee:

First district—Hon. Mims Walker, of Marengo, and J. R. Cowan, of Clarke.

Second district—M. B. Houghton, of Montgomery, and John T. Dale, of Wilcox.

Third district—C. H. Franklin, of Bullock, and John B. Ward, of Henry.

Fourth district—John F. Burns, of Dallas, and J. M. Thornton, of Talladega.

Fifth district—J. H. Harris, of Chambers, and W. W. Walden, of Coosa.

Sixth district—C. P. Mills, of Sumter, and N. N. Clements, of Tuskaloosa.

Seventh district—J. J. Mitchell, of Lauderdale, and J. P. Hampton, of Madison.

Ninth district—Sam Will John, of Jefferson, and W. C. Tunstall, of Hale.

NEW CODE OF ALABAMA.

Gov. Jhonston Issues a Proclamation for It to Go Into Effect February 17.

Governor Johnston Friday issued a proclamation under the terms of which the new code of Alabama goes into effect on Feb. 17. The code is now being distributed to the judicial and other officers entitled to it.

The new code is believed to be an exceedingly satisfactory compilation of the laws of the state. It was prepared by former Attorney-General Wm. L. Martin, Judge A. D. Sayre and Hon. P. C. Massie, all of Montgomery. These gentlemen have spent a large part of the past two years in perfecting the compilation and arrangement of the laws and have given especial attention to the preparation of a satisfactory index, a feature in which the old code is sadly lacking.

The new volume is larger than the old by reason of the fact that the state has more laws than it had ten years ago.

Indian Cotton Mill in Operation.

The big Indian Head cotton mills at Cordova was put in operation Monday. In the amount of floor space these mills are larger than the Avondale mills at Birmingham, but the number of spindles is somewhat smaller, being 25,000. One thousand looms are in the mills. These mills will use 10,000 bales of cotton a year. The plant has been constructed by a number of Eastern capitalists and so assured are they of its success that they will soon begin work on another cotton mill equally as large as the one just completed. The principal product of the Indian Head mills will be heavy sheetings and almost the entire output will be shipped to China.

Shot in the Back.

James Bald, a mine boss at Ishkooda, Jefferson county, was shot in the back Friday and is in a critical condition and may not live. The shooting was done by Frank Simmons, a 19-year-old white youth. What led up to the shooting is not known and there seems to be some mystery connected with the affair. It is stated that young Simmons walked into the mine office, where Mr. Bald was at work on a tally sheet. The two had some words, the substance of which is unknown, and Simmons drew a revolver and shot Bald in the back. As soon as the shot was fired Simmons fled, and has thus far succeeded in eluding capture.

A Woman Dies of Exposure.

At Stanton Thursday night, Mattie McPherson, an aged and decrepit negress, asked for food and shelter at the house of Ike Smith, colored. She was refused, but lingered about the house until nightfall, when she was ordered off. Protesting that she was too feeble to go elsewhere, she was hustled out of the gate and was left lying by the fence. It was a stormy night with heavy rains and the following morning the old woman was found dead at the gate. Her death was evidently caused by exposure.

Plowman Loses His Seat.

Elections committee No. 3 met Friday and decided to report to the house a resolution seating Aldrich and unseating Plowman as the duly elected representative from the Fourth Alabama district. The vote in the committee was strictly a party one, the democrats voting to allow Plowman to retain his seat and the republicans in favor of the resolution seating Aldrich. The committee will make a report in about three weeks.

Good Roads Convention.

It is expected that there will be more than three hundred delegates in attendance at the good roads convention to be held in Anniston on February 16. Already a number of counties have appointed delegates. The anniversary carnival and trades' display, to be held on the same day, will be the biggest thing of the kind ever attempted in that city. Sixty business houses have consented to have floats in the parade.

New Police Commissioners.

Governor Johnston has appointed Ex-Mayor David J. Fox and Ex Alderman John M. McCartin, police commissioner of the city of Birmingham, who will fill the vacancies on the board caused by the expiration of the terms of Colonel A. H. Stevens and M. C. Reynolds, whose incumbency was at an end on December 31, 1897.

GOLD BONDS ISSUED

By the Avondale Cotton Mills at Birmingham—Will Start in May.

The stockholdors of the Avondale Cotton Mills, Birmingham's new half million dollar enterprise, at a meeting held Friday afternoon, authorized the issuance of $100,000 6 per cent. five year gold bonds. The entire issue was at once taken by Major J. M. Lewis. The treasurer was also instructed to sell off $100,000 more if in stock, at not less than par and $10,000 if it was taken on the spot by one individual. The remainder will be disposed of in a very few days. When this is done $500,000 of stock and bonds will be outstanding. The affairs of the company, which is controlled by Birmingham and Eastern capitalists, were found to be in excellent shape. The mills, which will be among the largest in the South, are almost complete, and will begin operation May 1. Their output has already been sold for several months ahead.

BRIEFLY MENTIONED.

The boiler works at Sheffield are in active operation.

Morris Franklin, city sexton of Montgomery, died the past week.

Jefferson alias Jack Knight was hanged at Mobile Friday for the murder of Frank Dantzler.

Work is well advanced on the Mobile and Ohio bridge over the Alabama river at Montgomery.

Andrew Nixon, colored, while coupling cars at Montgomery, fell and was ground to death under the wheels.

The Central Alabama stock show, a Selma institution, has been wound up, and 37 per cent refunded to subscribers.

The date for the hearing of the contested election case of Goodwyn vs. Brewer, Fifth district, has been set for February 9.

James Bald, a clerk in the commissary at Smith's Mines, Jefferson county, was fatally shot by Charley Simmons last Friday.

J. Sternfield, an attorney of prominence and ability, of Montgomery, has been appointed district attorney for the middle district of Alabama.

Anthony Stribbling, the engineer who was fatally hurt in a wreck on the Kansas City, Memphis & Birmingham railroad last week, died from the effects of his injuries.

Desperate Attempt of a Burglar.

An attempted murder took place Saturday night at Stockton mines, near Coalburg. Two negroes broke into the house of Frank McNamara, a well known mine contractor, for the purpose of robbery. While they were in the midst of their search Mr. McNamara returned to the room and discovered them in the act. As he entered the door he was shot by one of the desperate characters with a 44-calibre pistol, the ball taking effect in the abdomen and inflicting a dangerous wound, which it is thought will prove fatal. The negroes secured $300 and immediately fled.

Committee Meeting Changed.

Chairman Knox, of the state democratic executive committee has issued the following: "Inasmuch as a conflict in the date designated for the meeting of the state democratic executive committee, and as the date fixed for mardi gras at Mobile and Birmingham will prevent some members from being present, the time of the meeting of said committee is hereby changed from February 22, 1898, to February 15, 1898. Members of the committee will please take notice of this change."

Suicide at Steele.

James Hood, a young man of Steele, committed suicide Saturday morning by shooting himself through the heart in his room. He was in town early and in the best of spirits. On his way home he had some words with an Alabama Great Southern railroad section hand and knocked the negro down. He thought he had killed the negro and went directly home and shot himself through the heart.

Two Cruisers for Mobile.

Representatives Taylor and Underwood called at the navy yard and requested that several war vessels be sent to Mobile next month to take part in the mardi gras festivities. Secretary Long has promised that two cruisers from the white squadron now in southern waters shall be ordered to Mobile.

BIG TRADE IN COAL

Is Being Worked Up by Alabama Operators With Louisiana Planters.

The shipment of Alabama coal down the Mississippi river for consumption on Louisiana plantations is about to begin again on a large scale. The first tow of the new year consisting of 6,000 tons will move southward from Greenville Miss., the western terminus of the Southern railway, next week. The coal is from the Walker county mines and is now being loaded on the barges at Greenville. The Southern railway has recently completed splendid facilities for handling coal at Greenville and loading it on the barges, and it is expected that a large business will be done in the movement of the Alabama black diamond this winter. Heavy orders are coming in from the Louisiana sugar planters and towns along the river and the outlook is for a big trade. Pittsburg operators are also moving a large amount of coal down the Mississippi, but with the improved facilities at their command and lower freight rates which have been granted, the Alabama producers feel able to share very largely in the river trade. Alabama's river shipments this winter and spring will it is figured be about 150,000 tons.

Woodstock Furnace Banked.

Colonel H. Atkinson, of Anniston, Ala., received a telegram Thursday from President Probst, New York, stating that the directors had decided to have the furnaces of the Woodstock Iron Works banked for sixty days, and directing that it be banked at once. This temporary shut-down is due to the sluggish demand for the high grade of iron made by the Woodstock Iron Works, and not to the fact that the furnace is not able to make money at the price for which its iron sells in the markets.

Forbids Increase of Rates.

The state railroad commission of Alabama has issued an order forbidding the railroads to increase the local freight rates 4 per cent per 100 in less-than-carload-lots, as has been attempted by several lines recently. The rates on carloads and less than carloads in Alabama thus remain the same, which is a big victory for Alabama jobbing interests.

Laying Off Vinemount Colony.

Engineer Rivers Carter is busy laying off the land for Vinemount colony near Cullman. The task will occupy about six months. A portion of the land is being divided into town lots, while much of it will be reserved for vineyards and fruit farms.

Failed to Appear.

Three cases against Oscar W. Cowan, at Birmingham, charging embezzlement and grand larceny, were set for trial, but the defendant failed to answer and a forfeiture was issued against his bondsmen. Cowan is under a $300 bond in each case.

Tennessee River Improvements.

The house committee on rivers and harbors decided Friday to take a take a trip to Sheffield, Ala., and Nashville to inspect the Tennessee river and determine what improvements are needed. They will come early in February.

Will Not Hang.

Elijah Jones, the Montgomery county murderer who has been under sentence of death, will not hang. The governor has commuted the sentence to life imprisonment.

TERSELY TOLD TELEGRAMS.

M. Ernest Bazin, the inventor of the roller steamer, died in Paris.

The Citizens bank of New Louisville, Ark., closed its doors Friday.

Hon. Allen D. Candler will be a candidate for governor of Georgia.

It is estimated that one case of smallpox at Elberton, Ga., cost the town $2,500.

At Savannah, Ga., J. W. Lee, a carpenter in the car shops of the Central railroad, was instantly killed by a bursting pulley wheel.

Dr. William A. Love, one of the foremost Masons in the United States, and one of the oldest and best known physicians in the south, died at his residence in Atlanta last week, aged 74.

The Indian Head Cotton Mill company at Cordova, Ala., proposes to build 250 cottages. They are to be eight-room double cottages, and will be rented at 85 cents a room a month.

Committed Suicide.

C. A. Gammon, a prominent clothing merchant of Anniston, ended his life Friday morning by dring two ounces of carbolic acid. The only cause that can be assigned by his friends is despondency over ill health, which caused insomnia. His business matters were found to be in good shape.

A New Health Resort.

Chicago capitalists have begun work on a big sanitarium at Pinnacle, Ala., on the top of Sand Mountain near Cullman.

HITT'S SIGNIFICANT STATEMENT.

Indications That the President is Preparing for War with Spain.

The high water mark in Cuban excitement was reached Thursday at Washington. The debate on the Cuban subject was of little importance in comparison with the interest attached to the words uttered by Chairman Hitt, of the foreign affairs committee, Thursday afternoon, when considered along with the orders given by Secretary Long. Mr. Hitt made the following remarks:

"When you know the critical events that are passing; when you think of the vast responsibility that rests upon the executive, and which does not rest upon us; while we are making speeches to get applause, when we remember the immediate and grave consequences to ensue, we can feel the strong assurance that we have a faithful, able captain at the helm; that the ship may be near the rapids, but his hand is firm and his eye sure. We should all of us be ready to do our duty like patriotic Americans, standing firmly behind the president, when he takes a step necessary for the vindication of the honor and protection of the interests of our country, a step made necessary by duty in view of the troubles, the confusion, the destructions and the hopeless condition of things in the island so adjacent to our shore.

"General Lee, an officer of experience and ability, is at Havana in constant communication with the president, and our great ships are not far away. They ought not to be far off at such a time. It is not proper to anticipate or pretend to have knowledge of particular events or intentions, in the future, but I am sure that all Americans who love their country can be relied on to stand by the president when he may take the next step before him in pursuance of the same line which he has followed in the last eight months."

This statement would not have been of such paramount interest had it not become known that the navy department had telegraphed and cabled, putting every ship and cruiser under emergency orders.

Secretary Long revoked the order for the Nashville to proceed to the European squadron. He stopped the Helena by cable, which is now on its way to China. He cabled Commodore Dewey to hold the Asiatic squadron prepared to return to this country by the shortest route, which means that each ship must be heavily laden with coal.

The present uneasiness may serve to be only another war scare, yet it would not surprise any one to hear that a declaration of war was made at any moment over the Cuban question.

ANTI-JEW DEMONSTRATIONS.

Sixty Students Arrested at Paris—Disturbance at Epinal.

Over 2,000 students started a demonstration Thursday evening on the Boulevard St. Michel. They tried to cross the River Seine, but the police prevented them. About sixty of the students were arrested. There have been no serious disorders. Numbers of bands of students (as this dispatch is sent) are still parading the Latin quarter. A dispatch from Epinal, situated about 190 miles from Paris, says the first anti-Hebrew demonstration took place there Thursday. Placards bearing the now popular cries, denouncing Zola and the Hebrews and upholding the army, were posted in front of the Hebrew stores.

SENATOR WHITE CHOSEN

As Chairman of the New Democratic Congressional Committee.

The new democratic congressional committee at Washington Thursday night elected as chairman Senator White, of California. Senator White was supported by the friends of Representative Bailey who were favorable to that gentleman's candidacy in case the next house is democratic.

An unexpected dark horse developed in Senator Cockrell, of Missouri, who was defeated by Senator White by the narrow margin of 18 to 15. The meeting adopted a resolution reaffirming its adherence to the Chicago platform.

The election of Senator White is regarded as a distinct triumph by the silver men, who were anxious to have a chairman whose record on the subject of 16 to 1 was unquestioned.

PREPARING FOR THR RUSH.

Fifty Thousand People Expected to Leave Frisco for Alaska.

The local transportation companies at San Francisco are preparing to accommodate the rush to the Klondike. The Pacific Coast Steamship company has arranged a schedule that will give a five-day steamship service between San Francisco and Alaskan ports. The company expects to handle 10,000 passengers out of San Francisco city next month, and during the entire season the total tonnage in this port is calculated to accommodate 50,000 people.

Preparing for War.

A fleet of nine warships will leave Yokohama in the course of a week for Chinese waters. Decrees have been issued appointing Lieutenant General Viscount Kawakami chief of staff and creating a supreme military advisory council.

Deaths From Bubonic Plague.

During the past week the deaths from the bubonic plague at Bombay, India, numbered 831. The exodus is increasing and business is stagnant.

WEEKLY REVIEW OF TRADE.

The Volume of Business is Remarkable for the Time of the Year.

FLATTERING OUTLOOK FOR STEEL TRADE.

The Industrial Situation, with the Single Exception of the Cotton Industry, is One of Exceptional Strength—Decrease in Business Failures.

Bradstreet's weekly review of trade says:

A large measure of activity in business and industrial lines, while, in in some instances, previous records have been passed and very general steadiness in prices of staples, is perhaps the most notable feature of the trade situation this week. Quotations of cereals show the most aggressive strength, while those of some makes of pig iron betray rather more decided weakness than they did a week ago. Mild weather is frequently mentioned as an influence tending to check retail distribution of seasonable goods, chiefly because of the effect on country roads. Spring trade opens slowly, as usual at this time of the year, but confidence is still unimpaired. As already intimated, the immense current production of pig iron, amounting to fully one million tons per month, has begun to exercise an influence upon the price of that staple, but decreases reported are still only fractional. The outlook in the steel rail trade is reported as a flattering one. Higher prices for wool abroad, based partly on short yield reports, are reflected in the firmness of domestic quotations.

The industrial situation, with the single exception of the cotton industry, is one of exceptional strength. As yet the strikes in this branch of trade, however, are largely confined to Massachusetts. Men's wear woolens are moving fairly well. At the west distributive trade is slowly improving, while at the south a fair January trade is reported, particularly in the Mississippi valley. Good returns from last year's Louisiana sugar crop find expression in higher prices for sugar lands. The good export demand for cotton precludes too heavy accumulation at primary points in spite of the crop movement.

Total shipments of wheat, flour included, from the United States and Canada amounted to 3,926,000 bushels, against 2,916,000 bushels a year ago. Indian corn exports were 3,486,000 bushels this week, against 3,520,000 last year.

A further falling off in the number of business failures is reported in the United States this week, the total being only 309, against 323 last year and 429 a year ago.

STRIKE AT CRITICAL STAGE.

There is But Little Change on the Surface in the Strike Towns.

A special from Boston says: While on the surface the strike situation in the cotton industry shows little change, there is apparently an undercurrent of unrest which denotes that the strain, on the employes side at least, is beginning to be surely felt. The joint committee on behalf of the strikers at New Bedford issued an appeal for financial assistance and at Biddeford arrangements are being made for the issuance of soup to the non-union help out of work.

The strike at Fall River appears also to be advancing toward a critical stage, and the minor strikes which have occurred there lead to the belief that the labor leaders may not be able to hold back the operatives in that city, and that a break may occur there at any time which will not only affect the 30,000 employes in that city, but every mill city in New England. The strike among the spoolers at the Narraganset mill in Fall River shows the growing sentiment in that city.

To Receive President Dole.

The representatives of the president and of the United States who will receive President Dole and his party left Washington Friday for Chicago. They were accompanied by Mr. Hatch, the Hawaiian minister. It has been settled that the dinner to be given by the president in honor of his visitor shall take place Tuesday, February 1.

Negro Murderer to Hang.

Bill Scott, a negro farm laborer, who murdered John C. Singley, a wealthy planter and his wife and son, by cutting their throats one night early in December, was convicted at Greensboro, Ala., and sentenced to hang Feb. 25. Scott pleaded guilty. The motive of the murder was robbery.

Cuban Crisis Imminent.

A special from Jacksonville, Fla., says two United States cruisers sailed for Havana in extreme haste Saturday night, and great excitement prevails over rumors of violence to Consul-General Lee and other Americans.

Strike Settled.

The strike of the miners of the Dayton (Tenn.) Coal & Iron company has been settled. The miners resumed work Monday on practically the same terms as existed when the strike began. Seven hundred men will return to work.

Killed by a Train.

Dr. T. W. Whittaker, aged 50, and having a large family, night watchman in the Memphis & Charleston yards at Tuscumbia, Ala., was run over and instantly killed by a train.

NOT AFRAID OF MAN EATERS.

How Three Sandwich Islanders Disposed of a Big Shark.

"The Kanakas of Honolulu," says a naval officer in the New York Sun, "do not appear to be the least bit afraid of maneaters, and they will occasionally tackle them single-handed, with nothing but a long knife for a weapon. I was attached to a gunboat anchored in Honolulu harbor a couple of years ago. We were coaling ship, preparatory to making a cruise of the islands. The big coal lighters, loading a hundred ton or so of coal, were loaded at the dock and then towed to the side of the ship. The coal was hoisted into the bunkers from the lighters by men forward. Well, one of the lighters was overloaded at the dock, and when it was brought alongside the ship ready to be made fast, it began to settle, turned over and sank in twenty feet of crystal-clear water, taking about 125 tons of lump steaming coal with it. Of course, the coal didn't belong to the ship until it was aboard of the ship, in accordance with the terms of the contract, and so the coal dealer had to stand the loss. He employed about twenty Kanaka men to dive for the coal and bring as many big lumps to the surface as they could get hold of. A lighter was anchored beside the ship to receive the coal thus regained from the bottom. The Kanakas worked without any sort of diving apparatus, and they got eighty tons of the coal, too. Suspended from strings around their necks each had a long, sharp knife for sharks. They'd hang over the side of the lighter for a minute, give a couple of twists to their legs and after a minute of so they'd reappear at the surface of the water with a hunk of coal in their arms. Then they would heave the lump into the lighter and go down again.

"A group of officers were standing at the gangway watching the men prepare to go to work one morning after the coal raising had been going on for a couple of days, when we noticed that there seemed to be a commotion among the Kanakas. They began to jabber excitedly in their queer, musical language and to feel of the sharpness of their knives hanging around their necks. Their eyes were keener than ours, and they had seen a maneater asleep directly under the lighter. Three of the Kanakas, magnificent, giant-muscled men, the pick of the gang, took the strings from their knives, grasped the knives in their right hands, stepped over the side of the lighter, hung to the gunwhale with their left hands for a second or two, and then, altogether, they gave that queer wriggle to their legs and disappeared. In about five seconds big bubbles began to come to the surface of the water, and about five seconds later the bubbles took on the hue of blood.

"'That settles one Kanaka, if not the whole three of them,' said we on the gangway. But the Kanakas in the lighter only smiled. The next thing we saw was a gigantic shark thrashing the water crazily on the port side of the lighter, and incarnadining the sea within a radius of fifty feet with its blood. Then the three Kanakas came up, all in a bunch, like a trio of jacks-in-the-box, with contented smiles on their bland faces. The shark thrashed around without any eyes for five minutes or so, and at the end of that time he was as dead as a salted mackerel, the whole eighteen feet of him. The three Kahakas had tackled him altogether as he slept, had driven their knives into his vulnerable parts, and before the maneater had a show to pull himself together he was as good as dead."

The Belt of Spring Wheat.

The spring wheat of the Northwest owes its superior nutritious qualities to a law which governs the whole procession of commercial flora, of which it is the leading representative—that the cultivated plants reach their highest perfection in food qualities near the northernmost limits of their growth—a law to which the bright summer sun, the clear, dry atmosphere, and the pure waters of this inland region lend additional force. The cattle which become skeletons on the plains of Texas are driven north to grow fat on the grasses of the Montana and Dakota ranges, or the pastures of Minnesota, twice as rich in albuminoids as even those of Illinois. The fruits of these northern latitudes are juicier, the potatoes more farinaceous, the melons more luscious. The strawberries, the tomatoes, the butter, the whole series of field, garden and dairy products, tell the same story. This hard wheat belt, following the curves of mean summer temperature, extends far north of the international boundary, through Manitoba and the Canadian Northwest, traversed by the Cadanian Pacific and several American lines. Within the United States it embraces the broad prairies of Minnesota and the two Dakotas.—Harper's Magazine.

Rubber Substitutes.

A substitute for rubber is produced by boiling rape oil with sulphur until solidification takes place, the product having a blackish-brown color and a very penetrating smell, but the latter defects are yielding to the improved processes of purification. It is never acid, is not liable to decomposition, and mixes well with rubber in carrying proportions. Another substitute is obtained from the action of chloride of sulphur on rape oil, the product being a tough, jelly-like mass, insoluble in naphtha, but capable of being ground to powder for mixing with rubber, and is used in waterproofing, but is not suited for any purpose requiring elasticity. A third and inferior substitute which is largely used in the manufacture of linoleum and kamptulicon is obtained by the action of air or oxygen on linseed oil.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR PROBATE JUDGE.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for Probate Judge of Shelby County, subject to the action of the primary election to be held on the 19th of March, 1898.

A. P. LONGSHORE.

FOR CIRCUIT CLERK.

The friends of John P. Pearson announce him as a candidate for Circuit Clerk, subject to the action of the People's Party primary, to be held on 19th of March, 1898.

The friends of R. T. Johnson announce him as a candidate for Circuit Clerk, subject to the action of the People's Party primary, to be held on the 19th of March, 1898.

FOR COMMISSIONER.

The friends of W. N. Gilbert announce him as a candidate for commissioner from the Second District, subject to the action of the People's Party primary to be held March 19th, 1898.

EDITOR ADVOCATE—Please announce Mr. D. C. Davis as a candidate for re-election to the office of Commissioner, from the Fourth District, subject to the action of the Populist and Republican parties, and oblige.

MANY FRIENDS.

The friends of John T. Glaze announce him as a candidate for Commissioner from the Fourth District, subject to the action of the People's Party primary, on the 19th of March, 1898.

Montevallo already has two new hotels, and yet they are going to build another, right away.

A wagon factory will be started in Montevallo this week, with D. J. Moreland as superintendant.

The Populists, of Coosa county, are discussing the best plan of nominating candidates, whether by a primary election or by a convention.

Talladega has smallpox. The Government has taken it in charge, however, and with the aid of the local authorities, will soon stamp it out.

One of the best country exchanges that comes to our office, is the Journal, of Mansfield, La., edited by our former townsman, Capt. J. T. McClanahan. His articles are short, crisp and to the point, and his news columns well filled with the latest news, state and national. Here's to you Capt. Jim.

An exchange says, "all the papers are giving from a quarter to a column and a half about the new limbless cotton; better talk about a fodderless corn that makes 100 bushels to the acre, or a hairless hog that fattens 25 pounds a day on shucks." Truth, too. We make enough cotton, now, unless we could get a better price for it,

Some fellow away up in Montana, with more money than brains, thinks that all Ex-Presidents, on their retirement from the Presidency, should be sent to the Senate to remain so long as they live. Great spoons, wouldn't this country be in an awful fix with old Grover in the Senate for life, as the representative of Pierpont Morgan and the Rothschilds?.

An exchange truthfully remarks that there are a whole lot of fellows in and about every town who could teach school better than those who are teachers; preach better than those who are preachers; run a store better than the storekeeper; run a newspaper better than those who run them. Yes, the woods, the fields and towns are full of them, but none of them ever taught school, preached, practiced law, run a store or paper and never will. They have always spent their time in loafing around, finding fault with other people, and don't know enough to do honest work and most of them never will.

It is said that one of the changes contemplated by the constitutional convention is the substitution of the word "county" for "parish" in designating the different portions of the State. Louisiana is unlike any State in using the word parish, and the attempted departure from the old title will, it is thought, bring on a lively controversy—Mansfield La., Journal.

Capt. Plowman made a pretty good thing out of his contest. He has drawn about six thousand dollars from the treasury that did not belong to him, supplied all the democrats in the district with garden seed, and had a good time generally. At the next election the same performance will be repeated and some other democrat draw the salary for a year or more. Congress should enact a law that in case of a contest, neither party should draw the salary until the contest is settled.

A newspaper in Ohio recently brought suit against 43 men who did not pay their subscription and obtained a judgement in each case for the amount of each claim. Of these, 28 made affidavit that they owned no more than the law allowed, thus preventing attachment. Then under a decision of the supreme court, they were arrested for petit larceny and bound over in the sum of $300 each. All but six went to jail. The new postal law makes it larceny to take a paper and refuse to pay for it —Ex.

A Washington special of the 21st, conveys the pleasing intelligence that the committee to whom was referred the contest case of Aldrich vs. Plowman from the 4th Alabama district, had agreed upon a report seating Hon. W. F. Aldrich. The action of the committee is no surprise to any one acquainted with the facts in the case. The only surprise is that Capt. Plowman had the cheek to claim the seat on the strength of the three thousand stuffed ballots in Dallas. Mr. Aldrich will probably be seated this week.

The Age-Herald suggests that Capt. Plowman enjoin the elections committee from reporting in favor of Aldrich. The injunction would work well in Montgomery, as our Supreme court can always be depended on to do anything to help out the boys in a ballot box stuffing case, but the old fogies up North are not up-to-date in ballot box stuffing, and the courts up there are so far behind the age as to hold on to that exploded idea, that stealing is dishonorable and voting dead men, yellow dogs and gray mules is not exactly the correct thing for christians to do. The injunction would be all right if the courts were all right. Wouldn't he have an easy going case in Alabama?

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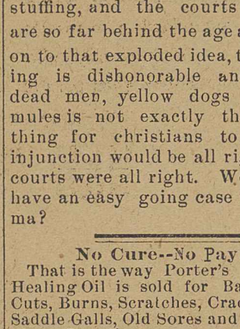

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MONTEVALLO.

Dr. Curry Came Unannounced, But Was Heartily Greeted.

Special to the Advertiser.

Montevallo, Jan. 20.—The Industrial School was honored by a visit from Hon. J. L. M. Curry last Monday, that pre-eminent patron of education, well known to all Alabamians. He came unannounced, from Birmingham, and during the morning visited the various departments of the school, in all of which he exhibited much interest. In the afternoon a goodly number of citizens accepted the invitation to attend an address by Dr. Curry in the chapel.

"Forty one years ago," he said, he had spoken in this same building, making a political speech—a good old Democratic speech, such as he would like to make now, on a proper occasion. From here he had proceeded, by private conveyance, across the mountains to old Jonesboro, in Jefferson County. On this return to Montevallo, he had traversed the same country, but found it marvelously changed and developed. Then followed a comparison of the material development of Alabama and the educational development, in each of which he expressed great pride. The establishment of this school he regarded the crowning glory of Alabama, for in developing the dormant resources of the minds of the girls and scattering their products throughout the State, it set in motion influences for good that would operate to the end of time. His inimitable definition of education, its object and purpose, its influence on the very blood and soul of the person, its ineffaceable incorporation in the being, its influence on associates, neighbors and communities, was thrilling and sublimely interesting.

He cannot have failed to stir the aspirations of every hearer to the very depths. At the close of the address, at Dr. Curry's request, the girls were given holiday the remainder of the afternoon, and the jovial Doctor was given such an ovation as was never witnessed here, in which school girls and citizens indiscriminately joined. It was remarked that the Doctor seemed to enjoy it as much as if he had been a girl himself. Impressions made by him forty-one years ago still existed in this audience, and who may say when these new ones will be effaced.

PROGRAM

Of Teachers Institute to be Held at Fourmile, February 11, and 12, 1898.

FRIDAY.

Song.
Prayer.
Welcome address—J. B. Ferrell.
Response—Rev. S. S. Crumpton.
Song—Choir.
Necessary preparation for the vocation of teaching—Fuller Mynatt.
Discipline, proper and unproper punishment, paper—Mrs. Kate Wallace.
Observance of national holdays by schools—C. A. Mathews and W. C. Carpenter.
How to teach children to investigate for themselves—C. C. Stamps and T. A. Huston.
How should primary arithmetic be taught "class work"—J. H. Mooney and W. P. Lovett.
How to teach civil government—A. G. Spinks and J. P. Kinnett.
Best method of teaching primary geography "some class work"—J. A. Spearman.

SATURDAY.

Same on reading—Miss Kate Tarrant.
How can the teachers of the State be brought into a higher state of efficiency—J. E. Bird and J. C. Burgner.
How can popular interest in education be aroused and maintained—J. M. Baldwin and A. M. Williamson.
What are the aims of an education—by the Institute.
The grading of country schools—Prof. C. H. Florey.
Should the authority of the teacher extend beyond the school hours and the school grounds?—by teachers of the Institute.
Resolutions.
Adjournment.

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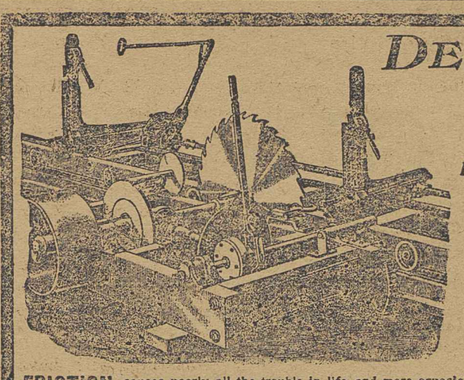

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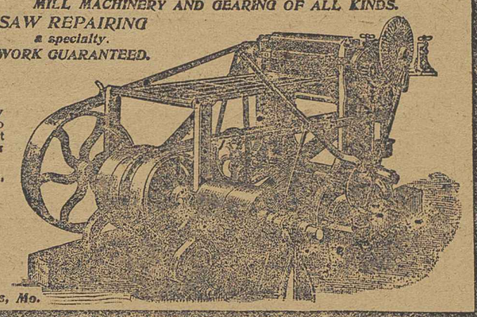

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The Woman About Town.

The "Woman About Town" evidently threw a bomb into camp when she wrote for the last issue of the Advocate. She is informed that a column has been engaged in the Chronicle by a young man of our town, whom, it seems, thinks himself an "ideal" boy, and has taken a portion of our last article all to himself, thereby demonstrating to the public that he takes it for granted that he is the one referred to, being the only "ideal" boy in town. People shouldn't be so selfish. This reminds us of the anecdote of the countryman, who drifted into a city church on night, thinking he was to see some sort of a free show. Not being accustomed to the bright lights, naturally, he fell asleep. The good Episcopal divine, arrayed in his customary white robes, was preaching about the separation of the sheep and the goats in our master's kingdom, and reached the climax of his sermon by saying "who will be the goat? Who will be the goat." The good countryman, just awaking, thinking that the show was about to go by default, arose from his seat and exclaimed: "Mister, ruther than to see the show fall through, by golly, I'll be the goat!" Perhaps our young friend thought our little "show" was about to fail for lack of a "hero," and he very kindly proposes to make a goat of himself.

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"Competition is the life of trade." We suppose our two genial stablemen realize this fact very keenly just now. Very amusing scenes occur at the depot daily, when two colored hack drivers and two hotel porters get hold of a drummer. When things get so warm that our young men can get free teams for afternoons, our young ladies will no doubt receive some nice notes, desiring their company for a drive.

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Many inquiries have been instituted as to who is the "Woman About Town." Some have remarked that "I could whip whoever it is myself," etc. We don't doubt that in the least under certain conditions, but when they are reminded of the fact that we keep a young arsenal, equipped with two 44 colts, two winchesters, krupp gun, two bowie knives, cane buggy whip, bottle of strap oil, shooting stick, a pop gun, and a thousand gallons of Nitros Oxide, or Laughing Gas, we hope they may change their minds. This arsenal, however, is in charge of our "fighting editor," as we only fight by proxy.

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Probate Notice.

State of Alabama, } Probate
Shelby County. } Court.

Estate of William Booth, deceased. Letters of Administration on the Estate of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 18th day of October 1897, by the Hon. D. R. McMillan, Judge of the Probate Court of Shelby County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate, are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law, or the same will be barred.

E. F. VEST,
Administrator.

Non-Resident Notice.

State of Alabama, } Probate Court,
Shelby County. } Special Term, Jan. 17th, 1898.

This day came Mary T. Taylor and her husband J. N. Taylor, and filed in this court their application in writing, alleging that they and John Jones, Emeline Searight and Mariah Sanders are the joint owners of certain real property described in their said petition, and that said property can not be equitably partitioned or divided without a sale thereof, and asking for an order to sell same. The 21st day of February, 1898, was appointed a day for the hearing of said petition; and, as it appears that the said John Jones, Emeline Searight and Mariah Sanders, reside without this State, in the State of Texas, their postoffice being unknown. It is, therefore, ordered that notice of said petition, and of the time and place set for hearing the same, be given by publication for three successive weaks in the People's Advocate, a newspaper published in Columbiana, in said county.

D. R. McMILLAN,
jan. 20-3. Judge of Probate.

Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of two Fi. Fa. issued from the Circuit Court of Shelby County, and to me directed, I will proceed to sell, in front of the Court House, in the town of Columbiana, on the 21st day of February, 1898, within the legal hours of sale, to the highest bidder for cash, the following described property, to-wit:

One third undivided interest in south half of north east quarter sec. 36, tp. 21 range 4 west, and entire interest in west half of south west quarter sec. 13, and west half of north west quarter and north east quarter of south west quarter sec. 12, also the following land commencing at a point where the south boundry line of north west quarter of sec. 12, tp. 21 range 3 west, crosses South & North railroad, thence running 500 feet, thence north 1005 feet, to a point 210 feet from railroad right-of-way, thence east 210 feet to said right-of-way, thence 1005 feet along said right-of-way to point of beginning, and the south east quarter of south east quarter of sec. 11. One third undivided interest in north west quarter of north west quarter of sec. 6, tp range 3 west, north east quarter north east quarter of sec. 1, tp. 2 range 4 west, and entire interest in house and lot in the town of Calera, Alabama known as lot No. 455, according to Davis Plot, of said town lots of land in said town heretofore purchased by W. E. Brinkerhoff of Mrs. Annie E. Vaughn, one half interest in lots 1-2-3 and 4 in the town of Calera, Alabama, being the property heretofore purchased by W. E. Brinkerhoff of W. D. Huggins, and the third interest in north west quarter of north east quarter, and east half of north west quarter of sec. 6, tp. 22 range 3 west, and entire interest in one lot in the town of Calera, Alabama, heretofore known as the Mostello Saloon lot, and which was heretofore purchased of J. C. Adler by W. E. Brinkerhoff, also lot No. 465 in the town of Calera, Alabama, heretofore purchased of Mathes & Co., by W. E. Brinkerhoff, and machinery in lease described in book of deeds 20, and now in possession of T. R. Wagner.

All situated in Shelby County, Alabama.

Levied upon as the property of W. E. Brinkerhoff, to satisfy said Fi. Fa. in my hands in favor of Lubralim Oil Company and J. L. Dit Foundry Company.

This 20 day of January, 1898.

E. F. VEST, Sheriff.

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SOUTHERN RAILWAY

Condensed schedule in effect January 16, 1898.

	No. *20	STATIONS.	No. *19	
.....	3.25pm	lv ..Selma..ar	11.28am	.....
.....	5.11pm	...Montevallo..	9.25am	.....
.....	7.5pm	ar..Birmingham..lv	6.45am	.....
No. *25	No. *23	STATIONS.	No. *25	No. *27
4.20am	5.45am	lv ..Akron..ar	6.45pm	6.45pm
5.5 am	6.41am	..Greensboro..	5.25pm	5.37pm
7.25am	7.9am	....Marion....	3.39pm	4.20pm
8.30am	8.9am	...Marion Jct.	2.39pm	3.4 pm
9.50am	9.50am	ar...Selma...lv	1.8pm	2.00pm
No. *20	No. *16	STATIONS.	No. *15	No. *19
.....	7.25pm	lv..New O'l's..ar	8.30am	.....
.....	5.30am	lv...Meridian..ar	9.50pm	.....
.....	6.25am	.....York.....	8.40pm	.....
.....	7.32am	...Demopolis...	7.45pm	.....
.....	8.13am	ar..Uniont'n..lv	7.0pm	.....
.....	8.56am	...Marion Jct	6.11pm	.....
.....	9.28am	ar (Selma) lv	5.5pm	.....
2.25pm	9.35am	lv (Car)	5.35pm	11.28am
5.11pm	11.26am	...Montevallo	3.57pm	9.25am
.....	11.40pm	.....Calera....	3.27pm	.....
.....	12.01pm	...Columbiana..	3.09pm	.....
.....	12.32pm	...Childersburg..	2.37pm	.....
.....	1.25pm	...Talladega...	2.03pm	.....
.....	2.03pm	....Oxford....	1.25pm	.....
.....	2.16pm	...Anniston...	1.09pm	.....
.....	2.40pm	..Jacksonville..	12.38pm	.....
.....	3.05pm	...Piedmont...	12.19pm	.....
.....	3.57pm	..Cave Springs..	11.24am	.....
.....	4.35pm	.....Rome.....	10.45am	.....
.....	10.40pm	ar..Atlanta..lv	7.50am	.....

+25	*33	*35	STATIONS	*5	*37	+25
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.....	6.00	4.15	lv..Birm'ham..ar	11.45	6.00	.....
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.....	8.10	6 30	.... Anniston....	9.15	7.42	.....
.....	8.19	6 55	.....Oxford.....	9 07	7.32	.....
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7.23	10.30	9 24	...Douglasville..	6 40	5.13	6 29
7.35	10.40	9 35	..Lithia Springs..	6 30	5.05	6 15
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STATIONS.	No. *12	No. *16
Lv Rome	.....	4.45pm
Lv Knoxville	8.25am	9.50pm
Ar Morristown	9.50am	10.55pm
Ar Hot Springs	11.46am	12.23am
Ar Asheville	1.15pm	1.30am
Ar Salisbury	6.40pm	6.00am
Ar Greensboro	9.52pm	8.50am
Ar Raleigh	7 10am	11.45am
Ar Norfolk	.....	5.20pm
Ar Washington	6.42am	9.25pm
Ar New York	12.40pm	6.25am

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Ar Louisville	7.25am

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STATIONS.	No. 38	No. 36
Lv Atlanta	12.00pm	11.50pm
Ar Charlotte	8.20pm	9.00am
Ar Danville	12.00am	1.30pm
Ar Lynchburg	1.58am	3.55p m
Ar Charlottesville	3.34am	5.15pm
Ar Washington	6 12am	9.20pm
Ar Baltimore	8.00am	11.25p m
Ar Philadelphia	10.45am	2.51p m
Ar New York	12.40pm	6.25am

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Sheriff's Sale.

By virtue of one Fi. Fa. issued from the Circuit Court of Shelby County, and to me directed, I will proceed to sell in front of the Court House Door, in the town of Columbiana, on the 31st day of January, 1898, within the legal hours of sale, to the highest bidder for cash, the following described property, to-wit:

North east quarter, and part of the south east quarter of section 28, township 19, range 2 east; south west quarter of the south east quarter of section 21, township 19, range 2 east; south west quarter of the north west quarter of section 27, township 19, range 2 east; north west quarter of the north east quarter of section 21, township 19, range 2 east; west half of the south west quarter, and the south east quarter of the north west quarter of section 27, township 18, range 2 east; 20 acres off of east side of the north east quarter of the south east quarter of section 28, township 18, range 2 east; west half of the north east quarter of section 34, township 18, range 2 east; west half of the south west quarter of section 21, township 19, range 2 east; north east quarter of the south east quarter of section 20, township 19, range 2 east; all that portion east of Glade, of the south east quarter of the south east quarter of section 20, township 19, range 2 east; north east quarter of the south east quarter of section 21, township 19, range 2 east; south east quarter of the south east quarter, and the north west quarter of the south west quarter of section 21, township 19, range 2 east; south west quarter of the south west quarter of section 8, township 19, range 2 east; west half of the north west quarter of section 17, township 19, range 2 east; north east quarter, and the east half of the north east quarter of the north west quarter of section 18, township 19, range 2 east; west half of the north west quarter, and the west half of the north east quarter, of the north west quarter of section 18, township 19, range 2 east; south half of the north east quarter, and all of the south east quarter of section 10, township 20, range 2 east; south east quarter of the north west quarter, and the east half of the south west quarter of section 10, township 20, range 2 east; north west quarter and the west half of the south west quarter of section 11, township 20, range 2 east; north west quarter of the north east quarter, and the north east quarter of the north west quarter of section 15, township 20, range 2 east; south east quarter and all of the west half of section 14, township 20, range 2 east; south half of the north east quarter, and the north west quarter and the south half fraction of section 23, township 20, range 2 east; east half of the south east quarter, of the north east quarter, and 17 acres off of the north east quarter of the south east quarter fractional of section 22, township 20, range 2 east; west half of the north east quarter of section 14, township 20, range 2 east; west half of the north west quarter, and the south west quarter of the north west quarter of section 10, township 20, range 2 east; north east quarter of the south east quarter of section 9, township 20, range 2 east; north east quarter, and the east half of the north west quarter of section 30, township 19, range 2 east; east half of the north west quarter of the north west quarter, and the east half of the south east quarter of the north east quarter of section 30, township 19, range 2 east; south west quarter of the north west quarter of section 29, township 19, range 2 east; south west quarter of the south east quarter of section 33, township 18, range 2 east; south west quarter of the north west quarter, and 30 acres in the north west quarter of the north west quarter of section 3, township 19, range 2 east; east half of the north east quarter, and the north west quarter of the north east quarter, and the east half of the north west quarter of section 4, township 19, range 2 east; south half of the north west quarter of section 26, township 18, range 2 east; north east quarter of the north west quarter of section 35, township 18, range 2 east; south east quarter of the north east quarter, and 30 acres off of the south end of the north east quarter of the south east quarter of section 33, township 18, range 2 east; east half of the south east quarter, and the south east quarter of the north east quarter, and 30 acres in the north west quarter of the south east quarter of section 22, township 18, range 2 east; north west quarter of the south west quarter, and 6 acres in the north east quarter of the south west quarter of section 23, township 18, range 2 east; north west quarter of section 30, township 19, range 2 east. Also one two story brick store house and lot, and one frame store house and lot in Harpersville, and one brick store house and lot in Vincent.

Levied upon as the property of T. J. Martin, to satisfy said Fi. Fa. in my hands in favor of A. J. Harris and F. P. McWhirter.

This 18th day of December, 1897.

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W. A. Parker spent Sunday on Yellow Leaf.

50 mackerel for one dollar at J. H. Hammond's.

Dr. J. H. Williams spent Monday in Birmingham.

Big bottle snuff for 10 cents at J. H. Hammond's.

T. J. Weaver spent Monday and Tuesday in Anniston.

E. S. Lyman, Esq., of Montevallo, was in the city Tuesday.

Rev. E. A. Burns will preach at the Baptist church next Sunday.

Flour is down, go to J. H. Hammond's and find out how much.

Miss Jessie McGee, of Stanton, is visiting her sister Mrs. W. G. Parker.

T. J. Martin, of Harpersville, transacted business in the city last Friday.

Miss Sadie Williams left Monday for Tuscaloosa, where she goes to enter school.

Rev. H. M. Millstead occupied the pulpit in the Methodist church Sunday night.

Mrs. T. J. Weaver is on a visit to relatives in Anniston and Jacksonville this week.

Rev. T. K. Roberts, of Easonville, is on a visit to friends and relatives in the city.

Jim Adams, of Birmingham, spent Sunday and Monday in the city with home folks.

Our young friend Bruce West lost fifteen dollars on the streets Saturday evening last.

Capt. J. P. Christian and Dr. Frank DuBose, of Shelby, visited our city last Saturday.

J. E. Holmes, of River Bend, was in the city Monday, and gave the Advocate a pleasant call.

John Leeper and Horace Hammond spent apart of Sunday evening in Wilsonville with friends.

Tobacco at 25 cents per pound by the caddy at

J. H. Hammond.

Mrs. H. C. Moss, of Calera, spent Sunday and Monday with her parents Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Tallant.

Remember the oyster supper at the Central Friday night, for the benefit of the Methodist parsonage

Miss Zada Houston, of Montgomery, is spending a few days in our city, the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Laura Armstrong.

Our wide-awake grocer or some of his clerks, had a Chile silver dollar passed on them last Saturday. It is worth only 50 cents.

Miss Kate Henton, who has been the guest of Miss Ethel Leonard for several days, returned to her home in Birmingham Sunday.

Miss Ruby Looney was ick several days last week, but the Advocate is pleased to learn that she is again at her post in the school.

Mrs. M. E. Parker was called to Montevallo Saturday to see Miss Nellie, who was sick. She returned Monday, bringing Miss Nellie with her.

Miss Jennie Leonard, who has been visiting relatives in the city, returned to her home at East Lake Monday, much to the regret of some of our boys.

Our Bridgeton correspondent, it occurs to us, is unnecessarily sensative. We only meant to say that Mr. Pearson was the first to announce as a candidate.

The Advocate regrets to hear of the continued illness of Mrs. R. F. Cox, of Bridgeton. Dr. A. T. Rowe was called to see her Tuesday, and we hope soon to hear that she is improving.

For the next 20 days I will sell 2 packages of garden seed for 5 cents, and 10 cent packages for 5 cents. These seed are fresh and genuine.

J. H. Hammond.

In another column will be found the announcement of W. N. Gilbert, for commissioner from the Second District. Mr. Gilbert is one of the solid men of Shelby, has always been connected with the reform movement, and is deservedly popular in his own beat. Should he be elected, he will make a good commissioner.

See Sheriff's sale in another column.

The city was full of drummers Tuesday.

John S. Pitts, tax assessor, was in the city yesterday.

Ex-Gov R. W. Cobb, of East Lake, was in the city Tuesday.

Heinz's Best Krout and bulk pickles, for sale by J. H. Hammond.

E. D. Pitts and Miss Zada Houston went up to Chidersburg yesterday.

The family of Mr. J. P. Adams left yesterday for Fort Payne, where they will reside in the future.

I sell Heinz's pure apple vinegar and give you a jug to put it in.

J. H. Hammond.

Onion sets by the quart, gallon or bushel, cheaper than the cheapest, for sale by J. H. Hammond.

More tobacco for 10 cents sold here than anywhere else.

J. H. Hammond.

The Columbiana Mercantile company will pay from 8 to 13 cents for dry hides.

We are requested to announce that the Republicans of Shelby will hold a conference at Calera next Saturday. Every Republican invited to attend.

Candidates John P. Pearson and W. N. Gilbert were in the city Tuesday. We did not get to see either of the gentlemen, but learn they were both cheerful and had strong hopes of winning on the 19th of March.

Candidate R. T. Johnston, of Simmon's Switch, was in the city yesterday, practicing on the candidates grip, before starting out. He has learned the smile, and with a few days more practice, can squeeze a voters hand to perfection.

Mr. John T. Glaze, of beat 10, is announced in to-days issue as a candidate for commissioner from the 4th district. Mr. Glaze is well known in the upper part of the county, as a solid, substantial citizen, in every way well qualified to discharge the duties of commissioner.

Mr. H. Fox is now at the Spencer store house, Columbiana. He has a full stock of general merchandise, and invites all his friends to call and see him. His prices are low, and he will assure, you fair treatment and the value of your money. He buys all kinds of country produce. Go to see him.

W. F. Bridges, of River Bend, dropped in to see us Monday, and left with us the equivalent of one dollar on subscription. He also decided after looking at the office force, that they needed sweetening, and promised to send down a few gallons of sorghum. It is needless to say we are living in hopes.

Sunday was a beautiful day and all the Sunday Schools were well attended. On account of the rearrangement of appointments by the Pastors of the different churches for the new year, there was no preaching in town Sunday. Under the new arrangement the Presbyterians will occupy the first Sunday, the Methodist the second and fourth and the Baptist the third.

The pastor of the Methodist church in Columbiana will preach morning and evening of each Second Sunday instead of the Third, as heretofore, and at Shelby the same hours on the Third instead of the Second. These appointments have stood so long, the Third at Columbiana and the Second at Shelby, that we hope all will remember the change of days between the two places.

In another column of to-days paper, the friends of D. C. Davis announce him as a candidate for re-election to the office of Commissioner from the 4th district, an office which he has so acceptably filled for two terms. Everybody knows Mack, and know that he has made one of the best commissioners Shelby county ever had, and nothing the Advocate can say would add to or take from his popularity.

The Advocate takes pleasure in calling attention to the double advertisement of the Columbiana Mercantile company in this issue. This firm, realizing the fact that the farmers of this section would have to have help to enable them to make a crop, have made arrangements, by which they can extend credit to their customers who need it. Call on them before making your arrangements for this year.

Oyster Supper.

The following committees were appointed for the oyster supper to be given by the Ladies' Parsonage League Friday evening, Jan. 28, at Central Hotel.

COMMITTEE ON ENTERTAINMENT—Miss Belle Huyett, Miss Sue Stone, Dr. W. A. Lovett, Mr. Joe Roberts.

TABLE ATTENDANTS.—Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Johnston, Mr. and Mrs. James Evans, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Christian, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. W. Dykes.

KITCHEN SUPERINTENDENTS—Miss Mary Milner, Mrs. P. P. Seales, Mrs. E. Porter.

BILL OF FARE.—Oysters 25 cents per dozen; Salads 25 cents; Chocolate Tea 5 cents; Coffee 5 cents. Children's Supp r 15 cents.

Begin serving at 5 p. m.

MRS. KATE BURNS, Pres.
MRS. J. W. DYKES Sec'y.

Circuit Clerk.

I see in People's Advocate that John P. Pearson and R. T. Johnson are asking the people for the office of circuit clerk. Both are good men, but there is one other man that I would like to see come before the public for that place. That man is T. A. Huston. I have known him as teacher, as justice of the peace, as notary public, as Superitendant of Education and as a farmer, and in all these various avocations, he has been the same unassuming painstaking man. We are always glad to vote for such a man, and would be truly glad if Mr. Huston could see proper to come out.

A FRIEND.

Teachers and Trustees.

According to instructions of State Superintendant, John O. Turner, all contracts received to Jan. 25th were conditioned, as no apportionment could be sent out until then. No contract can be approved for more than 70 cent per capita, based on the the August enumeration. Please govern yourselves accordingly.

EUGENE WILLIAMS,
County Supt. of Education.

Married.

On Thursday evening last at the residence of the brides father, near Wilsonville, Mr. Ocie Curlee and Miss Nannie Farr, Rev. C. W. O'Hara officiating. The Advocate extends congratulations to the happy couple.

We were pleased to meet on our streets yesterday Mr. Walter Florey, of Harpersville. Mr. Florey visits our city to—oh! well, we won't tell on him, if he will promise to send the Advocate some of the cake.

As will be seen by reference to announcement column, Hon. A. P. Longshore to-day announces himself as a candidate for Probate Judge of Shelby county, subject to the action of the primary election, to be held March 19th. Mr. Longshore has been a citizen of the county twelve years, and in all that time has been recognized as a leader in the reform movement, which commenced in 1887. He has represented the county in the Legislature three times, and in 1892 was elected to Congress from this district, but was counted out by the ballot box stuffers. He ranks with the leading lawyers of the county, and is in every way qualified to fill the office to which he aspires.

The writer, in company with Dr. W. S. DuBose, visited our sister town Shelby, Saturday. Business has somewhat revived since No. 1 furnace was started, but everybody is looking forward to the time when No. 2 will be put in blast. Business among the merchants was rather dull. This, however, may be accounted for, by the fact that the company has recently opened up their store again and keep a large stock of goods to sell their employees. We dropped in to see how our friend Stark was getting along, and for the first time, caught him when he had time to talk to us. He has ordered, and will soon have on hand a big stock of goods. When received, the readers of the Advocate will be notified.

Bucklen'n Arnica Salve.

The best salve in the world for cuts, Bruises, Sore, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For Saleby Hall Drug C0., Columbiana, Alabama.

Vincent.

Mrs. J. H. Wilder has returned home, after a protracted visit to her parents and relatives at Oxford and other points.

Mrs. Jno. M. Kidd, her daughter Annie and Mary Anna McGraw, are visiting Pulatka, Fla.

Mrs. R. A. Kidd and Mrs. S. A. Fluker are confined to their beds with "la grippe." May they soon recover.

Something will have to be done with Bob if "somebody" don't make haste and get well. He looks like an old rooster with the cholera.

Wilder, Fox, Hunter & Co., ordered a red fox from Missouri, and it came one day last week, and they had a big chase planned for the next night, but they were greatly disappointed, as the dogs caught the fox and killed it in ten minutes after starting out. Consequently Bob is still dragging the hide, and the men yelling themselves hoarse.

Tom Bell is operator in Mrs. Kidd's abscense.

Dr. Penn has gone to housekeeping in the little white cottage on the hill. I wonder if he doesn't think some of the good sisters will get sorry for him and offer to help him out. Better not depend on that Doc.

Pitts has been too busy on his books lately to show himself, but after the chase, he had to stand around all morning in town bragging on his dog "Joe" taking the lead.

Say, Sager, there is some one in Vincent that thinks Jno. Powell a good subject, and anything Frank could say about him is read with interest. Don't let him know this, however, it might give him the "big head," for his head is a little too large now.

It seems that Prof. gave permits Sunday night, as the boys were out with the school girls. Twas hard to tell which couple looked the happiest.

OCCASIONAL.

Bridgeton Klondikes.

Coupland's band, ventriloquists, performers of slight-of hand, etc., have been in Bridgeton since last Wednesday.

Two days of sunshine has caused one man to think of sowing oats We saw him carrying a new plow. Oats yield fairly well on average land, and when mixed with corn and ground they make excellent feed for cattle. As both corn and oats can be produced, with other feed stuff, with but little expense, it seems to us that there is now an opening for those who have not obligations to meet in the fall, to raise stock, while the price of cotton is so low and cattle bringing fairly good prices, with profit.

The writer does not know whether there will be any reduction in the acreage of cotton through this section or not, but judging from the amount of wheat sowed last fall. there will.

The Advocate speaks of the announcement of John P. Pearson, in the issue of the 13th, as one of the political guns of the opening skirmish. Now, why not refer to Mr. Johnson's announcement as one of the political guns? However, it is presumed that the error, if such it is, was unintentional, or, perhaps, the announcement of Mr. Johnson had not been received when the article in question, was written. The Advocate also refers to the writer of the Bridgeton locals, confering upon him the honor of having nominated A. P. Longshore for Probate Judge. Now, in our article, we merely stated that the friends of Mr. Longshore desire him to become a candidate for the nomination, giving some of the reasons for wishing him to become a candidate. If he is nominated, we shall be one who helped to nominate and one who will help to elect him; if some other populist is nominated, we shall be one of those who will elect him. "The will of the people is the supreme law." For years the masses blindly followed the leadership of the two old parties, but thanks to the teachings of the Farmers Alliance, that day has past.

AGRICOLA.

No cure—No pay.

That is the way all druggist sell Grove's tasteless chill tonic for malaria, chill and fever. It is simply Iron and quinine in a tasteless form. Children love it. Adults prefer it to bitter, nauseating tonics. Price, 50c. For sale by

HALL DRUG CO.

July 15, 1y.

Shelby Sparklings.

A heavy rain is intruding in our city.

Tax Collector Robertson and H. M, Norris gathered the sums from the delinquent tax debtors here last Friday.

Maj J. W. Pitts, of the Advocate, and Dr. W. S. DuBose, spent a short while in our city Saturday.

Rev. C. W. O'Hara delivered a didactic and susceptible sermon from the Baptist church Sunday evening.

Messrs Joe Herzfeld and Sam Lovitt, of Birmingham, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. Staak Tuesday.

Rev. S. N. Burns will preach at the Methodist church Sunday morning.

Miss Vergie Robinson, a charming and delightful young woman, of Madisonville, Tex., is matriculating our school. We are glad to have her with us, some of the boys especially.

Miss Nalda, the winsome and popular daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Christian, is assisting Miss Averyt in her school.

Max Boxer, after residing in Shelby for a number of years, moves to Birmingham Monday. The people of Shelby regret very much to see him leave, but trust he may be well pleased in his new home.

The young people who patronized the S. P. L. League Friday night at Wilsonville, spoke glowingly of those typical southern women, with whom they spent a few lively hours, They express thanks for entertaining them in such an elegant manner.

The furnace operators of this place have opened the new year with a good stock of orders on hand. Inquiries are said to be lively, and new orders are satisfactory in volume, and yield a moderate profit. The production of pig iron is so great at No. 1 furnance, that an additional cast shed, about 30x100 feet has been erected, adjoining the old shed. This is an incontestable sign of a lively demand for iron.

XAM.

Saginaw Dots.

Health good, considering the weather.

John Naish is on the sick list this week.

R. T. Horton, of Yellow Leaf, was in our town Saturday.

Saginaw Lumber company are putting up another new dwelling.

Messrs. Calvin, Tom and Marlin Mooney, of Yellow Leaf, were in the city Saturday.

Mrs. Daviston, of Dogwood, is visiting friends in this community this week.

C. E. Hale transacted business at Columbiana last Wednesday.

The family of Mr. Fletcher Green, who have been visiting relatives in this place, returned to their home near Jemison last week.

Miss Ida Ferrell, who has been visiting friends and relatives at Jemison, returned home Sunday.

Rev. Mr. White, of East Lake, preached an interesting sermon at the Methodist church Sunday.

C. E. Hale attended the horse-swappers convention at Calera Saturday.

Messrs. J. R. Adams, L. P. Hubert and Paul Arnold, and Misses Leila Adams and Stella Arnold, of Longview, attended preaching here Sunday evening.

Saturday was an extremely stormy day. We look for some cold weather now.

Camp Branch must be on a boom, from the number of lumber wagons that were here Saturday from there.

Mr. Killingsworth, of Calera, was a visitor of this place Sunday.

John Garrett, of Camp Branch, succeeded in finding a dear here Sunday, but we think he went away with a sad heart. John we will try to let you know when she catches up with her sleep.

H. C. Hale, who is teaching school at Corinth, spent Saturday and Sunday with home folks, and was the guest of some of the fair damsels near Longview.

We notice only two announcements as yet, for office in this paper. Why don't the people announce A. P. Longshore for Probate Judge, for Shelby county. It would be almost impossible to find a more competent man for that office. We are confident he will be elected if nominated, and will serve if elected, therefore his name ought to be announced. The man that is the choice of the people, is the man to serve when elected. Lets hear from all.

We are informed that Mr. Tom Seals, of Columbiana, was about the only man that carried any horses to the convention held at Calera last Saturday, that were worthy of notice.

PRODITOR.

NOTICE!

We are now prepared to extend to the People of this Community any line of Credit they may desire, in Merchandise or Cash, from Fifty Dollars and up. No cash loans or agreement for Merchandise will be made less than Fifty Dollars to any party, and same must be secured by mortgage or note. No open accounts will be carried under any circumstances.

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Our buyer, Sam Lefkovits, will leave for Baltimore and New York on the 15th of February, to purchase an entire line of Spring and Summer Goods. So you may look out for Bargains, and if we can serve any of our customers with Special Orders, we will be glad to receive them at our store for the next 30 days.

RESPECTFULLY,

COLUMBIANA :-: MERCANTILE :-: COMPANY.

Columbiana, Alabama.

TO OUR FRIENDS.

Having bought out J. E. Seale & Co., in the drug business, we take this method of informing our friends that we propose to continue the business at the old stand.

All accounts due J. E. Seale & Co., will be paid to us, and all claims against said firm will be presented to us for payment.

WILLIAMS BROTHERS,

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Nothing Succeeds, Like Success.

We sell all of the leading medicines that Purifies the Blood, give tone to the stomache, aids digestion and assimilates the food. We make a specialty of Pattent Medicines and Staple Drugs, Paints, Oils and Toilet Articles.

Prescription Department.

Our prescription department is also complete with a Full Line of High Grade Fluid Extracts, Tinctures, etc. Prescriptions carefully compounded from the Purest of Drugs.

We earnestly solicit your patronage, and will always save you some money when possible to do so.

RESPECTFULLY,

Hall Drug Company,

Columbiana, Ala.

Farmer Points

We were exceedingly glad of the nice rain that fell last Wednesday night.

Mrs. D. M. Merrell and son Feddie were out at Shelby last Thursday shopping.

W H. Crofford has accepted a position with Shelby Iron company out at Kewahatchie. There he and his family hope to remain for some time.

There will be preaching at Pine Flat next Sunday evening at 4 o'clock, by Rev. Mr Burns, who has been heartily welcomed, by all who have met him.

H. W. Pearson is going right ahead pruneing his orchard, clearing off ditches and preparing his farm nicely for another crop.

Oh! yes, I guess we know now what Mr. O. K. C. meant.

Mr. Oscie Curlee and Miss Nannie Farr, of Fourmile, were united last Thursday evening at 3 o'clock in matrimony, Rev. C. W. O'Hara officiating. The next day the groom and bride, and many of their friends returned to his mothers', meeting many other friends, extending to them congratulations, and partaking of many rare festivals. We wish the happy couple a long and happy life.

D. M. Merrell says that a good time only comes twice a year, and thats Christmas times and hog-killing times. I guess he has about passed over them this season. He killed hogs last Monday. He is one of our brother farmers who makes plenty of hog and harmony at home, and lives on the inside of his income.

ROPE.

Corinth.

Health on an average.

Mrs. Zilpha Parker, of Shelby Springs, visited her father's family in this community Tuesday.

Dr. Sims, of near Randolph, is prescribing for Mrs. Sarah Holcombe, who is suffering with a cancer on her nose.

Jasper Holcombe, accompanied by Rev. T. M. Wilson, of Calera, visited his mother Thursday.

Prof. H. C. Hale is progressing very nicely with his school at this place.

Miss Birtie Holcombe, who has been visiting her sister Mrs. Sallie Smith in Birmingham, has returned home.

Sam McClinton has recently moved into a residence of R. H. Holcombe, and will farm for him this year.

Misses Georgia Daugherty and Birtie Holcombe visited friends near Mt. Era Sunday.

Messrs. E. L. Elington and Harison Holcombe, of Dogwood, visited friends and relatives in this community last week.

R. H. Holcombe and H. D. Daugherty transacted business at Columbiana last Friday.

We anticipate eating cake and congratulating new married people soon, as the wedding bells are ringing very loudly.

REGINA.

FOR RENT.

Two five room cottages. In good condition and in desirable part of the city. For further information, apply at the Advocate office.

But It Wasn't Funny.

Raggs—Some of those biblical characters must have been rather comical.

Jaggs—Why do you think so?

Raggs—Well, there was Job, for instance; he fairly boiled over with humor.

At a Distance.

Helen—Kittie claims to be a follower of the fashions.

Mattie—Well, perhaps she is, but she is a long way behind them.

Good Skaters.

Laplanders think nothing of covering 150 miles a day on their skates.

Never punish children by striking them on the head. There are other places.

The Labor Problem.

Neophyte—I don't see why you should give Wiklow $2 a day and me only $1.50."

Superintendent—Wiklow is an experienced hand.

Neophyte—Then the work must come a good deal easier to him than it does to me, and he oughtn't to get so much, instead of getting more.—Boston Transcript.

One Fowl for Three.

A crusty old farmer in Southern Illinois one day became an unwilling host for three circuit-riding preachers, who dropped in simultaneously for dinner. The larder was low and the dinner consisted of a single fowl. The farmer asked the first sky-pilot what portion of the chicken he would have.

"A leg," said Number 1.

"Another leg, thank you," requested Number 2.

"And what will you have?" asked the farmer, turning to Number 3.

"I will also take a leg, if you please," replied the third.

With an ejaculation that shocked his reverend guests the farmer threw down his carving utensils and demanded to know what sort of a "crittur" they thought he was carving.

"This is a two-legged chicken," he shouted; "not a centipede."—San Francisco Argonaut.

Life Isn't Worth Living

to one who suffers the maddening agony of Eczema, Tetter and such irritating, itching skin diseases. Every roughness of the skin from a simple chap to Tetter and Ringworm even of long standing is completely, quickly and surely cured by Tetterine. Is comfort worth 50 cents to you? That's the price of Tetterine at drug stores, or by mail for price in stamps from J. T. Shuptrine, Savannah, Ga.

How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

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We, the undersigned, have known F. J. Cheney for the last fifteen years, and believe him perfectly honorable in all business transactions and financially able to carry out any obligation made by their firm.

WEST & TRUAX, Wholesale Druggists, Toledo, Ohio.

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Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Price, 75c. per bottle. Sold by all Druggists. Testimonials free.

Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Pres. McKinley Vs. Free Silver.

A battle of giants is going to take place this summer on 30,000 farms in America, not in talk or votes, but in yields. Salzer's new potato marvels are named as above, and he offers a price for the biggest potato yield, also $400 in gold for suitable name for his corn (17 inches long) and oat prodigies. Only seedsmen in America growing grasses, clovers and farm seeds and selling potatoes at $1.50 a barrel. The editor urges you to try Salzer's seeds, and to

SEND THIS NOTICE WITH 10 CTS. IN STAMPS to John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., for 11 new farm seed samples, worth $10 00, to get a start, and their big catalogue. A. C 9

Fits permanently cured. No fits or nervousness after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. $2 trial bottle and treatise free DR. R. H. KLINE, Ltd., 931 Arch St., Phila., Pa

I use Piso's Cure for Consumption both in my family and practice.—Dr. G. W. PATTERSON, Inkster Mich., Nov. 5, 1895.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children teething, softens the gums, reducing inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c. a bottle.

Lieut. Winston Churchill, son of Lord and Lady Randolph Churchill, and grandson of the late Leonard Jerome, is now acting as war correspondent for the London Telegraph in India.

Use "C C C" Certain Chill Cure.
Best in the world. CERTAIN CURE CO., Evansville, Ind.

"The wages of sin is death," remarked the observer of men and things. "In the case of a person who never sins, death is in the nature of the unearned increment, as it were.

To Cure a Cold in One Day.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.

By the year 1900, Japan will have to pay $25,000,000 a year as interest on its national debt.

Chew Star Tobacco—The Best.
Smoke Sledge Cigarettes.

The great astronomical clock of Strassburg is the most intricate piece of clockwork in the world.

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In cold weather
We need heat.
The blood must be
Warm, rich and pure.
Hood's Sarsaparilla
Keeps the blood
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Nourishing stream,
To every organ.

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FIFTY-FIFTH CONGRESS.

The House—Monday.

This was District of Columbia day in the house, and immediately after the reading of the journal Mr. Curtis, of the District of Columbia committee, claimed the day and the house proceeded to the consideration of district business.... After the passage of three bills of purely local importance, the house resumed consideration of the army appropriation bill, which was begun on Saturday. In the course of the general debate, Mr. Griffith, of Iowa, defended the policy of retiring officers on three-quarters pay. The debate was enlivened by an attack upon the efficiency of the several branches of the army by Mr. McClellan, of New York. The army today, he declared, was little better than a clumsily organized national police force, top-heavy with the gold lace of staff officers, many of whom had not seen more active service than falls to the lot of a member of a member of the police force. The army should, he declared, be entirely reorganized. He was followed by Mr. Lewis, of Washington, who made a vigorous speech against any increase in the army. Mr. Hull of Iowa, expressed concurrence in the views of Mr. McClellan to the extent that he believed that the army should be reorganized, as the present organization was obsolete. The discussion of the needs of the army was continued by Messrs. Wheeler, of Alabama; Cox, of Tennessee and others.... Without completing the bill, the committee rose and at 5:10 p. m. the house adjoured.

The Senate.

In anticipation of an interesting session of the senate today, all the galleries were well filled sometime before the senate convened.... Mr. Hanna, who has just been elected senator from Ohio, made his first appearance on the floor since his election. Mr. Foraker presented the credentials of Mr. Hanna for the remainder of Mr. Sherman's term of six years, ending March 4, 1899. They were read. As there was no objection to the administration of the oath of office, Mr. Foraker escorted Mr. Hanna to the vice-president's desk and the oath was administered.... Among the motions presented were the remonstrances of 512 Roman Catholic societies of the United States, representing more than 50,000 members, offered by Mr. Murphy, of New York, against the enactment of the pending immigration bill. .... At 12:50 Mr. Wolcott, of Colorado, chairman of the bimetallic commission was recognized for a speech upon the work of the commission, who spoke for one hour and fifteen minutes, and at the close of which he was greeted with a burst of applause.... Mr. Lodge, of Massachusetts, then demanded the regular order, which was the immigration bill, and he was sustained in his demand by the vice-president. Mr. Hoar spoke in favor of the bill. An amendment was offered by Mr. Spooner providing that steamship companies should take back to Europe the wife and children of an emigrant who failed to meet the requirements of the proposed law. Adopted by 42 ayes and 22 noes. An amendment to fix the age of emigrants affected by the bill from 16 to 21 years was lost. The bill was then placed on its passage and passed by a vote of 45 to 28.... A bill authorizing the Muscogee Coal & Railroad company to construct and operate a railway through the Indian Territory and Oklahoma Territory, and for other purposes, was passed.... Bills were passed providing for an American register for the steamer Navahoe and to amend section 4,400 of the Revised Statutes authorizing the licensing of mates on river and ocean steamers.... The joint resolution providing for participation by the United States in the fisheries exposition to be held this year in Bergen, Norway, which had been passed by the house, was passed.... The senate then, at 4:45 p. m., went into executive session and at 5 p. m. adjourned.

The House—Tuesday.

The first contested election case of the present congress was disposed of by the house today. Chairman Taylor of the committee on elections No. 2 reported that Thomas F. Clark, who filed contest against Jesse F. Stallings (representing the Second Alabama district) had abandoned his contest, and the committee therefore unanimously reported a resolution declaring Mr. Stallings entitled to the seat.... The house then resumed the consideration of the army appropriation bill, which was passed, and the diplomatic consular appropriation bill taken up. The bill carries $1,729.008. As soon as the enacting clause had been reached, Mr. DeArmond, of Missouri, offered an amendment to recognize the Cuban insurgents as belligerents. Mr. Hitt raised the point of order that the amendment was new legislation and obnoxious to the rules of the house which precipitated an animated debate over Cuban recognition, consuming the time until the house adjourned.

The Senate.

Mr. Gallinger today reported favorably to the senate a bill providing for an investigation of the subject of leprosy, and it was placed on the calendar.... Mr. Vest, for the finance committee, reported the Teller resolution, which was adopted by that committee, and gave notice that he would call it up at an early date.... The resolution presented to the senate yesterday calling upon the secretary of the treasury for reasons why the item of $11,000,000 due the United States from the Pacific railroads had been dropped from his statement, which went over under objection, was agreed to.... Mr. Allen, of Nebraska, called up his resolution calling for an investigation by the pension committee as to the authority of the commissioner of pensions to promulgate an order that no consideration should be given to applications for increases of pensions within twelve months after the last application had been made. It was agreed to.... In accordance with notice previously given, Mr. Hale, of Maine, called up the urgent deficiency bill. The bill, as it passed the house, carried $1,741,843; as it was reported to the senate it carries $1,891,923, an increase of $150,080.... Senator Morgan occupied the attention of the senate during the entire time of the executive session today in the presentation of his views on the subject of annexation of the Hawaiian islands. This was the second installment of the senator's speech and when he concluded, a few minutes after 5 o'clock, he had not then reached the end. He spoke for about three hours and his speech was a general presentation of the importance of the islands to the United States.

The House—Wednesday.

All day long the question of granting belligerent rights to the Cuban insurgents was argued in the house, but, as on yesterday, the minority hurled itself against a stone wall. The only vote taken today—on a resolution designed to overrule the decision of the speaker and direct the committee on foreign affairs to report without further delay the Cuban resolution passed by the senate at the last session—the republicans stood solid and voted to sustain the chair. The debate will close tomorrow at 4 o'clock, under the arrangement made today, when a final test will be made on a motion, of which Mr. Williams, of Mississippi, gave notice today, to recommit the bill, with instructions to report back the Cuban resolution as a rider.

The Senate.

After the reading of the journal in the senate today, Mr. Vest, gave notice that he would at the conclusion of the morning business move to take up the Teller resolution, which was reported by the finance committee yesterday.... A bill authorizing the attorney-general, the secretary of the treasury and the secretary of war to compromise and adjust certain claims of the United States against the state of Tennessee, and the state of Tennessee against the United States, was passed.... Mr. Hoar offered a resolution relative to the recent order of the postmaster-general reducing the number of letter carriers in some of the large cities on account of a deficiency in the free delivery appropriation, the resolution providing that the committee on postoffices and postroads should immediately ascertain what amount was necessary to preserve the postal free delivery service of the country. The resolution went over.... After several resolutions of minor importance the senate went into executive session, in which Senator Morgan continued his speech in advocacy of the ratification of the Hawaiian annexation treaty. He announced at the conclusion of today's session that he would probably require one more day in which to complete his presentation of the subject. He dealt with the agricultural and commercial possibilities of the islands, with the character of the present government and the position of the residents of the islands on the subject of annexation.

The House—Thursday.

Before the Cuban debate was resumed in the house today Mr. Lacey, of Iowa, chairman of the committee on public lands, called up a bill to extend the public land laws of the United States and to grant a right of way under certain restrictions to any railroad organized under the laws of any state in the union. It was explained that the right of way granted was 100 feet on each side of the road, but that all mineral deposits were specifially reserved. Without completing the consideration of the bill it went over, and the house went into committee of the whole and resumed the consideration of the diplomatic and consular appropriation bill. Brief Cuban speeches were made by Messrs. Clark of Missouri, Williams of Mississippi, Simpson of Kansas, Robinson of Indiana, and Creheran of Missouri.... At 4 o'clock the committee rose under the arrangements made yesterday and reported the bill to the house. One of the most dramatic and sensational episodes of this congress followed. The speakar of the house and Mr. Bailey of Texas, the democratic leader, clashed on a question of veracity, and the excitement was intense. Finally a vote on the bill was reached, which passed by a vote of 158 to 95, and at 4:40 p. m. the house adjourned.

The Senate.

The senate, by a vote of 41 to 25, passed the Teller resolution, which provides: "That all bonds of the United States, issued or authorized to be issued under the said acts of congress hereinbefore recited, are payable, principal and interest, at the option of the government of the United States, in silver dollars of the coinage of the United States containing 412½ grains each of standard silver, and that to restore to its coinage such silver coins as a legal tender in payment of said bonds, principal and interest, is not in violation of the public faith nor in derogation of the rights of the public creditor."..... Mr. Mills, of Texas, secured the passage of a resolution directing the secretary of war to make an examination of the Port Arthur ship canal, with a view to its extension to deep water.... Mr. Pettigrew secured the passage of a resolution directing the secretary of the interior and the attorney-general to inform the senate what steps the government had taken concerning the killing of a woman in Oklahoma territory by Seminole Indians, and the burning of two Seminole Indians in the same territory.... Senator Morgan concluded his four days' speech to the senate in executive session on the Hawaiian question. He spoke for almost four hours. .... The senate, at 4:45, adjourned.

The House—Friday.

The stormy scenes of the last few days in the house of representatives were followed by comparative quiet today.... At the opening of the session a bill was passed to grant the commissioners of Dale county, Alabama, the right to construct two bridges across the Choctawatchie river.... The Senate Nicaragua Canal Commission amendment was non-concurred in.... One of the senate amendment was concurred in with an amendment to appropriate $15,000 for the repair of national cemetery at Fort Smith, Ark. .... The main fight came on the senate amendment striking out the provision in the bill requiring depositors of bullion hereafter to pay the cost of transportation from the assay offices to the mint. It was agreed to without division in the committee of the whole .... Mr. Cannon said he would demand and aye and nay vote in the house. The vote in the committee was confirmed on a yea and nay vote in the house, 144 to 112. The bill was sent back to conference.... The house then went into committee of the whole, where the pending question was a point of order raised against the motion of Mr. Cooper, of Texas, to substitute for the senate bill to refer the claim of the Book Publishing Company of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, to the court of claims, the house bill to adjust the whole claim by the payment of $288,000. There was considerable parliamentary sparring, and finally, at 4:45, the house adjourned without action on the bill.

The Senate.

The senate proceedings today were devoid of interest. The resolution of Mr. Allen, of Nebraska, calling upon the secretary of the interior for the papers in the case of the dismissal of Mrs. M. E. Roberts from the pension office, was laid before the senate. He spoke briefly upon the matter. The resolution was referred to the committee on civil service and retrenchment. .... Mr. Lodge moved that the senate go into executive session.... The senate devoted its principal attention to the nomination of Attorney-General McKenna to be a justice of the supreme court of the United States. When the doors were closed the Hawaiian treaty was laid aside in order to afford an opportunity to consider the McKenna and other nominations. An effort was made to secure the confirmation of the nomination of General Longstreet to be commissioner of railroads, but it went over until another day. The nomination of Attorney-General McKenna was then called up, and, after a three hours' speech by Mr. Allen, attacking confirmation, the vote was taken, which was overwhelmingly favorable to confirmation.

The House—Saturday.

In the house today some odds and ends of legislation were cleaned up by unanimous consent.... A resolution requesting the state department to transmit to the house all information in its possession relative to the military execution of Colonel Ruiz, a Spanish envoy to the insurgent camp of Auranguren was adopted.... A resolution calling on the state department for a draft of the Hawaiian annexation treaty and for information as to what constitutional authority the president had to contract for the payment of a Hawaiian debt of $4,000,000 out of the treasury, after discussion, was laid on the table by a vote of 124 to 110.... Mr. Alexander, of New York, secured the passage of a bill to suspend the federal laws against the sale of spirituous liquors to Indians so far as they relate to the Indians of New York state, and substitute therefor the laws of the state.... At this point, Mr. Bailey, of Texas, rose to a question of personal privilege in connection with his controversy with Speaker Reed at the close of the Cuban debate Wednesday and spoke briefly.... At 5 o'clock the house adjourned.

The Senate.

The resolution of Mr. Teller, of Colorado, providing that the bonds of the United States may be paid in silver dollars was then laid before the senate, and, in accordance with notice given yesterday Mr. Stewart, of Nevada, addressed the senate. He said that the disregard of the resolution which is already a law of the United States had brought many calamities upon the land, and that the results of such disregard had been disastrous and lamentable. He attributed the panic of 1893 directly to the disregard of the law.... Mr. Morgan, of Alabama, secured the passage of a bill to grant 25,000 acres of unoccupied lands of the United States in Alabama to that state for the use of the industrial school for girls of Alabama and of the Tuskegee Normal and Industrial institute.... A bill was passed authorizing the Shreveport and Red River Valley Railroad company to construct and maintain a bridge across the Loggy bayou in Louisiana .... The senate, at 3.08 p. m., went into executive session, and at 5 p. m. adjourned.

Every boy thinks his mother is the best woman on earth—and they are all of them right, too.

Many a man who finds his cottage large enough would find a palace too small, if suddenly made rich.

What evidence of the patience of God can be more conclusive than the bald head of the infidel lecturer?

The man who jumps at conclusions may be recognized by his having his overcoat half on before the end of the benediction.

Many a man thinks he has found a mistake in the Bible just because he has run across something he doesn't want to believe.

There are two classes of men who never profit by their mistakes—those who blame it on their wives and those who lay it all to Providence.

The Loneliness of Age.

Be kind to the aged. How few think of this and treat with due consideration those who have outlived their generation, and whose early companions and friends have been taken from them. Unable to engage in the activities of life, they are no longer brought into contact and sympathy with those around them, and no tie of common interest and mutual dependence binds them together. Their views and tastes have naturally grown apart. They share but little in common with others. The future of this life has nothing to inspire their ambition or excite their hopes. What calls forth the energies of others has no inspiration for them. They necessarily, to a great extent, live in a world of their own, with which those around are not familiar. The communion of their hearts is with the scenes of the past, and the companions of other years who have long ago passed away. Lover and friend have been taken from them, and their acquaintance laid in darkness. The forms they admired and loved are gone, and eyes that looked into theirs with the tenderest affections are sightless, and the voices that cheered and stirred their souls have long been silent. Their early world of hope and joy has become a desolation, and they in silence contemplate the ruin that has been wrought. They have but little to interest them in the world. They are pilgrims and strangers here,

"Only waiting till the shadows
Are a little longer grown,"

to finish their course and rest from their labors. Who would not do what he can to cheer the loneliness of age, to smooth their pathway, and comfort them in their declining years?

THE QUIET HOUSE.

Oh, mothers, worn and weary
With cares that never cease,
With never time for pleasure,
With days that have no peace,
With little hands to hinder,
And feeble steps to guard,
With tasks that lie unfinished,
Deem not your lot too hard.

I know a house where playthings
Are hidden out of sight;
No sound of childish footsteps
Is heard from morn till night!
No tiny hands to litter,
That pull things all awry;
No baby hurts to pity
As the quiet days go by.

And she, the sad-eyed mother—
What would she give to-day
To feel your cares and burdens,
To walk your weary way?
Ah! happy she, yea blessed,
Could she again but see
The rooms all strewn with playthings
And the children round her knee!

HUMOR OF THE DAY.

Awkward Miss (with an umbrella)—"Beg pardon!" Polite Gentleman—"Don't mention it; I have another eye left."—New York Weekly.

"Why do women always grab up every little baby they see and kiss it?" "Because little babies, you know, are helpless."—Cleveland Leader.

Yabsley—"Think you'll get a chainless wheel?" Mudge—"If I do, it will be at the cost of wearing a watchless chain."—Indianapolis Journal.

"Weyler seems to retain his military tastes." "What do you mean?" "This paper says that he desires nothing more than a quiet retreat."—Puck.

Jenkins—"I wonder how it happens that Miss Kidd is always out when I call?" Jones—"Oh! just her luck, I guess."—Browning, King & Co.'s Monthly.

"Ma, is there any pie left in the pantry?" "There is one piece, but you can't have it." "You are mistaken, ma, I've had it."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

"Miss Tucker wouldn't have me, but she evidently appreciated my proposal." "Why do you think so?" "She told fifteen different girls about it."—Chicago Record,

Teacher—"Tommy, what do you know of the sphinx?" Tommy—"The sphinx is a woman with a great head. She hasn't talked for three thousand years."—Chicago Tribune.

Wickwire—"Really, now, you don't believe the poor are growing poorer?" Mudge—"I know they are. Look at me. I haven't half the money I had on pay day."—Indianapolis Journal.

"They say Dumley's wife rules him with a rod of iron.' "Oh, no; that's an exaggeration. Why, she can make him jump by merely crooking her little finger at him."—Household Words.

"I hear that the crowd hooted you when you appeared at the Pedlington Theatre Royal." "False, me boy, false," replied the eminent tragedian. "All false. There was no crowd."—Household Words.

"Gentlemen of the jury," said the lawyer, impressively; "our defense is insanity. I shall now show that my client once served on a jury and listened to expert testimony for four months."—Puck.

Emperor William—"What is the latest from Hayti?" The Imperial Aid—"The Haytians have submitted, sire." Emperor William—"Nother victory for me and Providence."—Indianapolis Journal.

"Now," said Mr. Gragan, as he read the headlines, "how could there be a double murder? Oh, I see," he continued, after reading a little. "Sure I t'ought the man was kilt twice."—Indianapolis Journal.

Mrs. Skinner (talking about the stock market) —"I tell you what, Mr. Starboarder, there's nothing like leather." Mr. Starboarder (vainly sawing)—"Oh, yes, there is—this steak, for instance."—Tit-Bits.

"Honest?" he exclaimed. "Honest! Well, rather. He not only wouldn't steal from an individual, but he actually refused to steal from the Government once when he had the opportunity." —Chicago Evening Post.

A prudent man had his portrait painted recently. His friends complained to him that it was much too old. "That's what I ordered," said he. "It will save the expense of another one ten years from now."—Tit-Bits.

A schoolboy was asked to explain the formation of dew. His answer was: "The earth revolves on an axis every twenty-four hours, and in consequence of the tremendous pace at which it travels it perspires freely." Tit-Bits.

The speaker had done with telling of the wrongs of woman, and had sunk back into her seat. "She makes a mountain out of a mole-hill," whispered the personly person in the front pew. "Yes, and such a botch, too!" rejoined the other. —Detroit Journal.

"There is one point about your friend Boswell, Johnson," said Napoleon. "He's simply doted on you." "Say, rather," retorted Johnson, "that he anec-doted on me. He reminded me somewhat of you in your prime, Bonaparte. He was a Parasite."—Harper's Bazar.

"An author," said the practical litterateur, "ought to know several languages." "Of course he ought," replied his fellow craftsman. "The field has been so well worked that there is no longer any use of reading old English books in search of original ideas."—Washington Star.

Little three-year-old Sunnylocks had been told that he couldn't have a doughnut, because it would make him sick. He sat in high-chair and looked longingly at the plateful of sugar-coated "holes with cake around them." At last he turned, and, in pleading tones, said: "Mamma, I want to dei sick!"—Cleveland Leader.

Gas Bright as the Sun.

Consul Duester at Crefoid, Germany, reports to the State Department a discovery made there which, is said, will revolutionize the methods of illumination. It is an incandescent gas. A single jet of ordinary size can emit a light of much more than 1000 candle-power, and fine print can be read at a distance of 100 feet. The inventor says the cost for a light of 1500 candle-power is only 4½ cents per hour, while that of an ordinary electric light of 400 candle-power is fourteen cents per hour.

Chronic Rheumatism.

From the Industrial News, Jackson, Mich.

The subject of this sketch is fifty-six years of age, and actively engaged in farming. When seventeen years old he hurt his shoulder and a few years after commenced to have rheumatic pains in it. On taking a slight cold or the least strain, sometimes without any apparent cause whatever, the trouble would start and he would suffer the most excruciating pains.

He suffered for over thirty years, and the last decade has suffered so much that he was unable to do any work. To this the frequent occurrences of dizzy spells were added, making him almost a helpless invalid.

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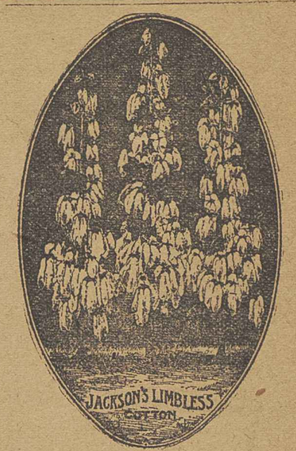

JACKSON LIMBLESS COTTON.

Committee Report of the Interstate Cotton Growers' Association on the Jackson African Limbless Cotton, That Met In Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 14, 1897.

We, the undersigned Committee, appointed by the Interstate Cotton Growers' Association, held in Atlanta, Ga., December 14th, 1897, to investigate and report on the Jackson Limbless Cotton, beg leave to submit the following report:

After a thorough and careful examination and investigation made of the cotton in the field, which we visited in person, and carefully looking into the matter, we unhesitatingly pronounce it the best variety of cotton ever grown in the South. From what the Committee learned from a conversation with Mr. Jackson, it seems that the cotton, with careful cultivation, will yield three bales per acre easily, and the evidence of such fact has presented itself to us after said investigation. The cotton itself is absolutely without limbs, the bolls maturing on little prongs two or three inches long, known as "fruit spur," with no other limbs; there being from two to five bolls on each spur. The stalks in the field, examined by us, are from four to ten feet tall, according to the fertility of the soil, as fruited from the ground up. We found on a great many stalks, bolls which contain five and six pods, which we consider very unusual, the size of the bolls being very fine average; the lint and staple being fine and silky, an average of one to one and a half inches. It is the opinion of your Committee that no cotton of this variety has ever been grown in the South before, and is of superior quality to anything we have ever seen grown. The land upon which the cotton examined was grown, is ordinary red gravelly upland, well manured. WM. P. CALHOUN, Chairman, Ga.

RICHARD CHEATHAM, Committee, Miss.

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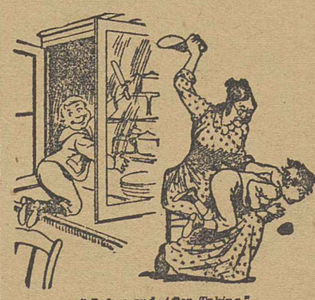

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